HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1883.

Established February, 1845.

For Sale.

CHRISTMAS DELICACIES.

PRESENTS

Jewel Cases.

Fancy Pipes and Cigar Tubes.

New Embossed Statuary

Afternoon Tea Services.

China Figures and Vascs

Flower Brackets and Baskets.

it Stands.

Gold Lack

Pretty Tea and Coffee Sets.

New Electro-Plated Ware.

Colfee and Tea Services.

Tête à Tête Sets.

Duplex Lamps in newest designs.

Presentation Books.

Osler's Artistic China and Glassware

Flower Stands. .

Cabinet and Scrap Albums.

Salad Rombound Helpers.

Menu and Guest Cards.

Children's Annuals.

Fitted Travelling Bags.

Work Bags and Baskets. Perfume Codes.

Real Turtle Soup. Salmon Cutlets.

Kipperod Salmon. Herrings a la Sardines. Sardines au Citron. Herrings in White Wine.

Mackerel in White Wine. French Truffles. Assorted English Patties. Pate de Foie Gras. Truffled Chickens in Jelly. French tinned Larks,

Assorted French Patés. Asparagus. Petits Pois. Champignons. Pudding and Sultana Raisins.

Peel for Mincemeats. Christmas Hams. Christmas Cakes.

Plum Puddings. Ripe Stiltons. Port du Salut Cheese. Graybre Chocse. Gorgonzola Cheese. Double Glester C

Muscatel Raisi

Barcelona and Best French (Bonbons and Bonbonnièrs

French and Hongkon

TRIMMED HATS.

FELT HATS.

ARKS.

DLIERS.

SILK HANDKERCHIEFS.

LAU FICHUES. KID CLOVES. PLAIN and FANCY HOSIER! LADIEN UMBRELLAS. FUR TIPPETS.

> FUR MUFFS. COLLARS and CUFFS.

DORABJEE & HING KEE, late Lessees of the Hongkong Hoyel,

Central in the centre of the principal the whole of the ROOMS being Commodi-

ous and Furnished with every Requisite and Comfort, afford most desirable Accom-The BAR, BILLIARD ROOM, DINING ROOMS, are fitted up in a Superior manner, and are all under European Supervision and Management. The TABLE D'HOTE is supplied with

allowed to purchasers of Ten or more copies. guage, constructed on the basis of Kanghi's Imperial Dictionary, contains all Chinese characters in practical use, and while alphabetically arranged according to the sounds sive experience of the Proprietors, and the wide Reputation they have gained, are of the oldest dialect of China, the Cantonese, it gives also the Mandarin pronunciation of all characters explained in the

book, so that its usefulness is by no means With every facility for making suitable Arrangements at Reasonable Prices, either for permanent or weekly Boarders, the Proprietors confidently appeal to the Community of Hongkong for a continuance of the generous Patronage Bestowed on them serve the purposes of a philological guide to the student.

WEST POINT IRON WORKS. TAVING This Day commenced Busi-NESS, are ready to undertake Work of the above Descriptions under the Supervision of an Experienced Buropean.

and at moderate terms.

24th September, 1883,

FOR SALE CHEAP. INE Hundred to Six Hundred Tons COKE and COAL TAR, in lots ti suit, from one ton upwards. CHOY CHEW, •

230, Praya West.

日七十月一十年未癸

PUBLIC AUCTION. TITHE PREMISES now occupied by us, THE Undersigned has received instruc tions to Sell by Public Auction, on No. 11, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL. For further Particulars apply to Messrs. THURSDAY, RUSSELL & Co.

the 27th December, 1883, at 2 p.m., at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road,— Hongkong, August 1, 1883. JAPANESE PORCELAIN WARE,

BRONZES, EMBROIDERIES, &c., PRAYA EAST AND WANCHAI ROAD. For Particulars, apply to VASES, JARS, CARD DISHES, INCENSE

BURNERS, PLATES, TEA SETS, EGG-SHELL Hongkong, April 26, 1882. WARE, BRONZES, ORNAMENTS, EMBROIDERIES Scrolls, &c., &c. TO LET. HEZEN VASES from 5} inches to 66 inches

DISNEE VILLA" PORFOOLUM, TERMS OF SALE. -- As customary. Furnished. No. 25B, PRAYA CENTRAL. J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, December 24; 1883. Hongkong, December 17, 1883. 1145 FURNITURE SALE.

ANE. CRAWFORD & Co. will Sell by Public Auction, on QUARTERS in MARINE HOUSE. SATURDAY,

the 29th December, 1883, at 2 o'Clock by Messrs. FRAMJEE HORMUSJEE & Co., Possession, 16th January, 1884. p.m., at No. 3, "Blue Buildings,"-HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE. Apply to comprising:

IRONS, CROCKERY and GLASS WARE, BED-DING, SEWING MACHINE, LADIES' and GEN-TLEMEN'S CHAIRS, Two JINBICKSHAS, The Articles can be seen on the Morning

Auticles for Drawing Room, Dining

Room and BED ROOM, FENDER and FIRE

Auctions.

AN ASSORTMENT OF

comprising :-

Table Decorations, latest designs and of the Sale. TERMS. - As usual A Handsome Drawing-room Fountain. 1204 THE SCOTTISH ORIENTAL STEAM Hongkong, December 24, 1883.

> C. TRUFANT," TIO BE SOLD, at MANILA, by PUBLIC

POSTPONEMENT.

AUCTION, without reserve, for account of the concerned. On a Day to be named hereafter,

THE BRITISH SHIP As she now lies at her anchors in Manila

Bay. Hull, Masts, Spars, Rigging Sails, Anchors and Cables, and all her other FURNITURE and APPAREL in One Lot. Conditions of Sale may be had of

LLOYDS' AGENTS, Manila.1049

3rd December, 1883.

For Sale.

RODERICK DHU WHISKY. Pure, Fine-Flavoured Blend, Equal in Boughet and Style to the Finest

FRENCH BRANDY. Sole Agent, Hongkong, C. L. THEVENIN.

Hongkong, October 19, 1883. C. L. THEVENIN.

Hongkong, October 17, 1883.

ULES

FOR SALE.

CHAMPAGNE

N.B.—On and after 1st January, 1884

NOW ON SALE.

CANTONESE DIALECT.

DR. E. J. EITEL.

CROWN OCTAVO, PP. 1018,

Hongkong, 1877-1883.

Part IV. T-Y, \$3.00

A Reduction of ten per cent, will be

This Standard Work on the Chinese Lan-

confined to the Cantonese Dialect, but the

work is a practically complete Thesaurus of

the whole Written Language of China, an-

cient and modern, as used all over the

Empire, whilst its introductory chapters

A Supplement, arranged for being bound

and used by itself, and containing a List

of the Radicals, an Index, and a List of

Surnames, will be published and sold

Hongkong, January 15, 1883.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

M-T,

CHINESE DICTIONARY

Hongkong, December 20, 1883.

Prices will be Raised to

iiQuarts.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

will be desputched on or about the 31st Instant, WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANT, Hongkong Hotel Building, HAS FOR SALE.

Fine Assortment of WHITE and RED BURGUNDIES :- GRAND HERMIT-Hongkong, December 24, 1883. AGE, CHAMBERTIN, POMMARD, RICHEBOURG CHABLIS, Pints and Quarts, &c., &c. UNION LINE. OLD PORT, SHERRY, WHISKEY, COGNAC, Assorted LIQUEURS and SY-RUPS; PERFUMERY, &c., &c., &c.,

The Steamship Lord of the Isles,"
Captain Figari, due on or about 31st Instant, will have immediate despatch for the above M U M M & Co.'s Ports.

For Freight or Passago, apply to ; RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, December 24, 1883.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE. Calling at PORT DARWIN & QUEENS. LAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to NEW ZEALAND.)

The Steamship This Vessel has unusually good Cabin

Accommodation, situated amidships, upon the upper deck. For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS. The Co.'s Steamship

" Diemnah." Commandt. DE Boisseuil BARON, will be despatched for SHANGHAI shortly after her arrival from Europe.

Acting Agent.

NOTICE,

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANÇAIS.

The Co.'s Steamship Commandant BLANC, will be despatched for

(In English-and Chuicse.)

WASHING BOOKS.

AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL. LONDON :- F. ALGAR, 11 & 12, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, E. O. GRONGE STREET & Co., 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GOTCH, Ludgate Circus, E.C. BATES HENDY & Co., 37, Walbrook, E.C. SAMUEL DEACON & Co., 150 & 154,

Leadenhall Street. PARIS AND EUROPE :- GALLIEN Prince, 36, Rue Lafayette, Paris. NEW YORK :- ANDREW WIND, 21, Park

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND :- GORDON & GOTCH, Melbourne and Sydney. SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports

generally :-- BEAN & BLACK, San Fran-SINGAPORE, STRAITS, &c.:-SAYLE & Co., Square, Singapore. O. Heinszen

CHINA: - Macao, Mosses A. A. DE MELLO Swatow, Quelcu & Co. Amoy, WILSON, NICHOLLS & Co. Foochow, Hedge & Co. Shanghai, PORD & Co.

Bank.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Instalment received on) New Shares,.....

\$5,926,765.62 INSTALMENT OF PREMIUM TO-

698,336.43 coived on New Shares ... 83,198,336.43

COURT OF DIRECTORS. Chairman-WM. REINEUS, Esq. Deputy Chairman-W. S. Young, Esq. H. L. DALRYMPLE, A. P. MOEWEN, Esq. A. McIver, Esq. W. H. FORDES, Esq. F. D. SASSOON, Esq.

M. E. Sassoon, Esq. A. Gultzow, Esq. Hon. F. R. Johnson. CHIEF MANAGER.

Hongkong, Thomas Jackson, Esq.

Shanghai Ewen Cameron, Esq. LONDON BANKERS. -London and County HONGKONG.

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance. For Fixed Deposits:-

INTEREST ALLOWED.

For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum. 4 per cent. ii б par cent. п LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED. Credits granted on approved Securities,

and every description of Banking and - Exchange business transacted. . Drafts granted on London, and the chief Consmercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan. T. JACKSON,

Chief Manager. Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East.

Intimations.

NOTICE.

Hongkong, August 25, 1883.

HAVE This Day ESTABLISHED myself in this. Colony as, a SHARE and | 1169 GENERAL BROKER HECTOR SAMPSON.

· Hongkong, December 10, 1883. PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM

NAVIGATION COMPANY. QUARANTINE AT EGYPTIAN AND CONTINENTAL PORTS.

RRANGEMENTS have been made for A passing the Company's Steamers through the Suez CANAL in QUARANTINE, thus avoiding any detention in ECYPT. The Homeward Mails are now being landed at VENICE, but the QUARANTINE which still imposed at this and all other CONTIN TRATAL PORTS prevents the landing of Pas songers, and those travelling by the Company's Steamers are advised to remain on board the Vessel which calls at MARSEILLES en route-stopping a few hours only to dis charge Cargo and proceed in her direct to

LONDON, thus avoiding all QUARANTINE -delays and inconveniences. The Passages of the Steamers will be accelerated, and they will not call at MALTA

or Gibraltar. A. McIVER. Superintendent Hongkong, September 6, 1883.

WILLIAM DOLAN, SAIL-MAKER & SHIP-CHANDLER,

22. PRAYA CENTRAL. TOTTON DUCKS, HEMP CANVAS - MANILA ROPE, AMERICAN

OAKUM, LIFE BUOYS, CORK JACKETS. &c., &c., &c. Hongkong, May 1, 1882.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

N Accordance with Section 120 of the Articles of Association, the General or Agents, with Approval of the Consulting Committee, will on Isr JANUARY, 1884 -Issus INTEREST WARRANTS of \$5 per Share, Payable at the Honokono & Shang-HAY BANK, the same being at the Rate of 10 Moper Annum, on the Paid-up Capital of the Office for the year 1883, and Notice is hereby given that in Order that the same -may be adjusted the Transfer BOOKS of the Office will be CLOSED from the 18th to flist Instant, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents. CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED. Hongkong, December 12, 1883.

Intimations.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

TIME FOURTH and FINAL CALL of £10 Storling per Share on the 20,000 SHARES, NEW ISSUE of this Corporation will fall due on the 31st December Current in London, Calcutta, Bombay, Shanghai and

REGISTERED SHAREHOLDERS entitled to NEW SHARES, are requested to Pay, at the respective OFFICES, the above Callor its equivalent in the Currency of the abovementioned places.

PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATES are being issued in Exchange for the First Call Receipts, which are to be surrendered to the Bank. HOLDERS OF PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATES, when paying this Call, will please send same to this Office to be endorsed.

The Rate of Exchange for Hongkong is fixed at 3/- 8id. or \$53.93 per Share... LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., and KELLY will be Charged on Calls unpaid on the 31st December.

By Order of the Court of Directors, T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, December 13, 1883. NOTICE.

Special General MEETING of the MEMBERS of the BONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER of COMMERCE will be held at the Crry Hall on WED-NESDAY, the 2nd January, 1884, at 11 in the Forencon, to nominate a Member for election to the Legislative Conneil.

By Order, E. GEORGE, Secretary.

Hongkong, December 21, 1883. 1182

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

IN BANKRUPTCY. NTOTICE,—KWONG WA alias KWONG TING HING, lately residing at the "Ko Shing" Theatre, Victoria, Houghoug, Acros, having been adjudged BANKRUPT under a Petition for adjudication_filed, by Cuv A-Tene in the Supreme Court of Hongkong in Bankraptcy, on the 6th day of November, 1883, is hereby required to surrender himself to Edward James Ack-ROYD, Esquire, the Registrar of the said Court, at the First MEETING of CREDITORS to be held by the said Registrar, on FRI-DAY, the 4th day of January, 1884, at 11

o'Clock in the Forenoon, precisely, at his Chambers, Supreme Court. The said EDWARD JAMES ACKROYD, Esquire, is the Official Assignee, and Messrs Dennys and Mossov are the Solicitors in the Bankruntey.

All Persons INDEBTED to the said

Bankrunt or who have any Property or Effects of his in their possession, are hereby warned not to pay or deliver the same excent to the said Assignee. A Public Sitting will hereafter be appointed by the said Court for the said Bankrupt to pass his Final Examination

and to make application for his Discharge, of which Sitting notice will be given in the Hongkong Government Gazette. At the First Meeting of Creditors the Registrar will receive the Proofs of the Debts of the Creditors, and the Creditors who shall have proved their Debts, respectively, or the majority in value of the said Creditors, are hereby directed to choose at such Meeting an Assignee or Assignees of the Bankrupt's Estate and Effects to be

called the Creditors' Assignee or Assignees Dated the 19th day of December, 1883, *DENNYS & MOSSOP, Solicitors in the Matter.

E. J. DURNY. PROFESSOR OF MUSIC. ESSONS given on the PIANO and

TERMS MODERATE. c/o. THE "CHINA MAIL" OFFICE. Hongkong, December 18, 1883.

HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS COM-PANY, LIMITED. HE Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 23rd Inst. until the 8th Proximo, both days inclusive.

HENRY R. H. MARTIN,

Manager. Hongkong, December 18, 1883. THE CHINESE INSURANCE COM-PANY, LIMITED

NOTICE. TTHE Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 24th to the 491 31st Instant, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board of Directors,

> Hongkong, December 19, 1883. NEWS FOR HOME.

J. BRADLEE SMITH

The Overland China Mail. (The oldest Overland Paper in China.) PUBLISHED AT THE "CHINA MAIL" OFFICE IN TIME FOR THE ENGLISH MAIL

Containing from 72 to 84 columns of closelyprinted matter. THIS Mail Summary is compiled from the Daily China Mail, is published twice as month on the morning of the English Mail's departure, and is a reof events in China and Japan, contributed in original reports and collated from the journals published at the various ports in those Countries.

It contains Shipping news from Shanghai. Hongkong, Canton, &c., and a complete Commercial Summary. Subscription, 50 cents per Copy (postage paid 52 cents.) \$12 per annum (postage the OFFICE of the Society on and after that paid \$12,50.)

Orders should be sent to Gro. MURRAY date. Bain, Ohina Mail Office, 2, Wyndham Street, not later than noon of the day the English Mail Steamer leaves.
Thrus of Advertising, same as in Daily 1114 China Man.

THE PROPERTY AND CHARL BACS.

FANCY ORNAMENTS. Large Bottles of the Best EAU DE COLOGNE. CARVED BRACKETS. WORK BOXES.

WRITING CASES. Embossed DOLLAR & LETTER CASES. POCKET BOOKS and PURSES. CIGAR CASES. JAPANNED-OIL PAINT BOX. OAK COPYING PRESS.

DOLLS, DRUMS, PUZZLES.

VICTORIA EXCHANGE, Hongkong, December 20, 1883,

Intimations. HONGKONG HOTEL.

BREAKFAST - 8.30 A.M. TO 12.30 P.M. Hongkong, December 17, 1883.

HONGKONG ICE COMPANY LIMITED. NOTICE

ON and after the 1sr October, the PRICE of ICE will be REDUCED To 11 Cents por pound. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, September 15, 1883. SEE WOO. TAILOR, DRAPER & OUTFITTER, No. 55, Queen's Road Central, Has just Received by French Mail, CHRISTY'S BLACK, BROWN AND

DRAB FELT HATS, AND TWEED HATS, (of all shapes). All Kinds of PERFUMES and TOILET

SOAPS. All Sorts of GENTLEMEN'S WINTER CLOTHING, &c., &c Hongkong, December 3, 1883.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS. Second and Final BONUS of Five per cont. on Contributions, and DIVIDEND of EIGHTERN DOLLARS and TWENTY-NINE CENTS per Share for the year 1882, will be Payable on MONDAY, the 22nd Instant. WARRANTS may be had on application at

By Order of the Board, DOUGLAS JONES. Acting Secretary. Hongkong, October 22, 1883.

FUR-LINED CLOAKS. NEW FRILLINGS. &c., &c., &c.

Intimations.

VICTORIA HOTEL. Proprietors:

THIS HOTEL is situated on the Praya Business localities and commands a magnificient view of the Harbour and surrounding scenery. From its detached position perfect ventilation has been secured, and

every delicacy of the Season, and most satisfactory attendance. WINES and LIQUORS of the best Qualities and Brands only are supplied. Arrangements for BALLS, BANQUETS, DINNERS and PICNICS made on the most Reasonable Terms. The long and almost exclu-

a sufficient guarantee that satisfaction will be given in this Branch. during the past eleven years. Hongkong, November 20, 1883.

HOP SHING & Co., ENGINEERS, BOILER MAKERS, COPPER SMITHS, BRASS & IRON FOUNDERS, &c.,

Orders executed with the timest despatch Hongkong, June 18, 1883.

separately.

To Let.

TO LET.

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co. ODOWNS-TO LET.

SIEMSSEN & Co.

Apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

-TO LET. No. 19, Hollywood Road, now occupied.

E. R. BELILIOS. Hongkong, December 22, 1883.

Shipping.

Steamers. FOR BANGKOK (DIRECT.)

SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED. The Company's Steamer "Rajanattianuhar," Captain W. Y. HUNTER, will be despatched for the above Port on FRIDAY, the 28th Instant

at 8 a.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to YUEN FAT HONG, Agents, Hongkong, December 24, 1883.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY. FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL The Co.'s Steamship Capt. Webster, will be despatched on or about the 30th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Ayents.Hongkong, December 24, 1883. OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI (Tuking Cargo & Passengers at through rates for CHEFOO, HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTSZE.) The Co.'s Steamship " Tencer"

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO

Captain Whrerle, will I despatched as above SATURDAY, the 5th January, at 4 p.m.

Hongkong, December 18, 1883.

I. MARTIN, Hongkong, December 24, 1883.

YOKOHAMA shortly after the arrival of the next French Mail from Europe. I. MARTIN

Hongkong, Docomber

PRICE, \$24 PER ANNUM.

Shipping.

Steamers. THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP

COMPANY, LIMITED. FOR SANDAKAN AND KUDAT, VIA MANILA. Tho Co.'s Steamship " Amalista." Captain Hamers, will be despatched for the above

Ports on MONDAY, the 7th January, at For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co.,

. General Managers. Hongkong, December 24, 1883. 1191 THE AUSTRALASIA, CHINA, JAPAN AND STRAITS STEAMSHIP COM-

PANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE. (Calling at PORT DARWIN & QUEENS. LAND PORTS; and taking through OFFICES and COMPRADORE'S Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND and TASMANIAN PORTS, NEW CALEDONIA and FIJI.)

> Captain Tuom, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 8th January, 1884, at 4 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to, RUSSELL & Co.,

The Steamship

General Managers. Hongkong, December 15, 1883. FOR SYDNEY & MELBOURNE. (Calling at PORT DARWIN & QUEENS-LAND PORTS, and taking through

Cargo to NEW, ZEALAND, NEW CALE-

DONIA, TASMANIA and FIJI.) The Eastern and Australian Steamship Co.'s Steamer "Catterthun" will be despatched as above on or about TUESDAY, the 15th January. Parcels (all of which must be sent to our Office) will be received up to 4 p.m. of

Contents and value of the Packages must For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,

MONDAY, the 14th January.

Sailing Vessels. FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The 3/3 L. 19. American Ship " Glarissa B. Carver." Dow, Master, will load here

Hongkong, December 17, 1883.

for the above Port, and will have quick despatch. . For Freight, apply to RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, December 22, 1883. FOR NEW YORK. The 3/3 L.1.L American Ship. CARVER, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will

RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, December 5, 1883. FOR VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA. The A 1 British Barque

have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

Davis, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, December 11, 1883. Notices to Consignees.

FROM GLASGOW, PENANG AND SINGAPORE. ITHE Steamship Owari Maru, ADAIR, I Commander, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods, with exception of Oplum, are being landed at their risk into he Godown of the Undersigned, at Wanshar, No. 3, befind the premises known as "Blue Buildings," whence and/or from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods

remaining after the 29th Instant will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by ADAMSON, BELL & Co.

Agents.

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG SINGAPORE TILE Steamship Hesperia, he above NER, having arrived free hereby Ports, Consignees of Carging landed informed that their Goods she Godowns

Hongkong, December 20, 1883.

and stored at their risk is and/or from of the Undersigned, whivery may be the Wharves or Boats le forwarded un-Optional Cargo wiry he given before less notice to the cosh Instant.

2 p.m. To day, the indelivered after the Cargo remaining subject to rent.

25th Instant will subject to rent.

No Vire Insurvo has been effected by Bills of Ladie will be countered.

SIEMSSEN & Co. Hongkog, December 20, 1883.

of Ledies and Sprice, 81 each. CHINA MAIL Office.

POSTPONEMENT.

THE BURLESQUE,

announced for

WEDNESDAY EVENING,

is Unavoidably POSTPONED to a future

THE NEXT PERFORMANCE

THE PIRATES OF PENZANCE,

SATURDAY EVENING.

CIT'Y HALL.

the 29th December, 1883.

WILL REPEAT

THE SLAVE OF DUTY.

(by this Company) in the principal cities

of India, Australia and South Africa,

with great success.

CAST OF CHARACTERS.

THE PIRATE KING Mr Jas. Maas.

FREDERICK (The Pi-

SAMUEL (The Pirate

Edward (Pirato of

CHARLES (Pirate of

THE SERGEART OF

Mable (Gen. Stanley's

KATE (Gen. Stanley's

Daughter)......... Entru (Gen. Stanley's

ALICE (Gen. Stanley's

Ruth (The Pirate

Maj. Gen. Stanley., o C. J. Barber.

Lieutenant)..... B. O'Brien.

Penzance)...... J. W. Allen.

Penzance)...... J. E. Walters.

POLICE u Jeff. D'Angelis.

Daughter).......Miss Victoria Loftus.

Daughter)..... Dolly Loftus.

Maid-of-all-work) ... h Minnie Nordt.

CHORUS OF PIRATES AND POLICEMEN.

The Pirates' Lair on the Coast of Cornwall.

The Resting Place of General Stanley's

TIME THE PRESENT.

Instrumental Music under the direction of

PROP. WILLIAM BLAKENEY.

" Florence Conliffe.

u Myra Sidáons.

rate Apprentice)..... if F. W. Oakland.

For Sale.

Macewen, Frickel & Co. No. 53, Queen's Hond Last, (OPPOSITE THE COMMISSARIAT), ARE NOW LANDING

FROM AMERICA. ALIFORNIA -RACKER OMPANY'S BISCUITS in 5 lt

tins, and loose. Soda BISCUITS. Assorted BISCUITS

Small HOMINY. Cracked WHEAT. ·CORNMEAL

TOPOCAN BUTTER. Apple BUTTER. Eastern and Californian CHEESE.

CODFISH. Boneless. Prime HAMS and BACON. Eagle Brand Condensed MILK. Family BEEF in 25 lb kogs. Beau Ideal SALMON in 5 ib cans. Cutting's Dessert FRUITS in 21 th cans. Assorted Canned VEGETABLES. Potted SAUSAGE and Sausage MEAT. Stuffed PEPPERS.

Assorted SOUPS.

MEATS. Lunch HAM. Lambs' TONGUES. Clam CHOWDER Fresh OREGON SALMON. Dried APPLES. TOMATOES. SUCCOTASH. Maple SYRUP. Golden SYRUP. LOBSTERS. OYSTERS. HONEY.

Assorted JELLIES.

Green CORN.

FAIRBANKS' SCALES.

400 lb. Capacity.

600 fb. 900 lb. 1,200 lb.

CORN BROOMS. OFFICE HIGH CHAIRS. AXES and HATCHETS.

AGATE IRON WARE. WAFFLE IRONS. SMOOTHING TRONS

PAINTS and OILS. TALLOW and TAR.

DEVOE'S NONPARIEL BRILLIANT

VARNISHES.

KEROSINE OIL. 150° test.

Ex late Arrivals from **▲** ENGLAND.

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF STORES including:

CHRISTMAS CAKES. PLUM PUDDINGS. MINCEMEAT. ALMONDS and RAISINS

Orystallized FRUITS. TEYSSOMEAU'S DESSERT FRUITS. Pudding RAISINS. Lante CURRANTS.

Fine YORK HAMS. PIONIC TONGUES. PATE DE FOIE GRAS.

SAVORY PATES. FRENCH PLUMS. BRAWN. INFANTS' FOOD.

CORN FLOUR. SPARTAN

HITCHCOCK HOUSE LAMP. PERFECTION STUDENT LAMI

CLARETS-CHATEAU MARGAUX. CHATEAU LA TOUR, pints & quarts. 1BES. GRAVES, BREAKFAST CLARET, " .

SHERRIES & PORT-SACCONE'S MANZANILLA & AMON-TILLADO. SACCONE'S OLD INVALID PORT

HUNT'S PORT. BRANDY, WHISKY, LIQUEURO, &c. --1 and 3-star Hennessy's BRANDY. BISQUIT DUBOUCHE & Co.'s BRANDY. FINEST OLD BOURBON WHISKY.

KINAHAN'S LL WHISKY. ROYAL GLENDEE WHISKY. Boord's OLD TOM. E. & J. BURKE'S IRISH WHISKY. Rose's LIME JUICE CORDIAL. NOILY PRAT & Co.'s VERMOUTH. CEABBIE'S GINGER BRANDY. EASTERN OIDER.

CHARTREUSE. MARASCHINO. OURACAO. ANGOSTURA, BOKER'S and ORANGE BITTERS.

&O. ; ALE, bottled by Cameron and GUINDERS, pints and quarts. J. 38'S STOUT, bottled by E. & DRAUGEE, pints and quarts.

GallorALE and PORTER, by the ALE and I TER, in hogeheads.

Y SELECTED

Fine New Season's OUSHAW TEA, in BREAKFAST CONGOU 605 cents p. lb.

MILIER'S PATENT FIREPROOF BAFES, CASH and PAPER BOXES, at Manufacturer sprices.

Hongkong, December 1, 1883.

Mails.

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship CITY OF PEKING will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, with the option of calling at Honolulu, on MONDAY, the 31st December, at 3 p.m., taking Passengers and Freight, for Japan, the United

States, and Europe. Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Inland Cities of the United States, via Over-

land Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms connecting Steamors. Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all "coived, and transmitted to the Directors trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

RETURN PASSAGES:-Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single Francisco for China or Japan (or vice rersa) Life. within six months, will be allowed a discount of 20 % from Return Fare; if re-embarking posals or any other information, apply to within one year, an allowance of 10 % will be made from Return Fare. Pre-Paid Return Passage Orders, available for one year, will be issued at a Discount of 25 % from Return Fare. These allowances do not apply to through fares from China and Japan to

Richardson & Robbin's Celebrated Potted Freight will be received on board until 4 n.m. on the 30th Dec. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.n., same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same

is required. Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco. For further information as to Passage of India, China and Australia. and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 50A, Queen's Road Central.

F. E. FOSTER, Agent. Hongkong, December 21, 1883.

NOTICE. COMPAGNIE DÉS MESSAGERIES MARITIMES. PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT SAID, SYRIAN PORTS, NAPLES, MARSEILLES, AND POUTS OF BRAZIL, AND LA PLATA;

PONDICHEBRY, MADRAS, UALCUTTA AND ALL INDIAN PORTS.

ON TUESDAY, the 1st January, 1884, at Noon, the Company's S. S. YANGTSE, Commandant Sugar, Company, are authorized to Insure with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, against FIRE at Current Rates, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accopted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe. Shipping Orders will be granted until

Noon of 31st December, 1883. Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcols until 3 p.m. on the 31st December, 1883. (Parcels are not Crew of the following Vessels, during to be sent on board; they must be deft at their stay in Honghang Harbour;the Agency's Office.)

Contonts and value of Packages are re- Noves,-Melchers & Co. For further particulars, apply at Company's Office.

I. MARTIN, Acting Agent. Hongkong, December 19, 1883.

FREDERIC ALGAR, COLONIAL, NEWSPAPER & COMMIS-

SION AGENT, 11. Clement's Lane, Lombard Street,

THE Colonial Press supplied with Newspapers, Books, Types, Ink. Presses, Papers, Correspondents, Letters; and any European Goods on Loudon terms

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS. Colonial Newspapers received at the office ! are regularly filed for the inspection of Advertisers and the Public.

SAILOR'S HOME NY Cast-off CLOTHING, BOOKS, or PAPERS will be thankfully received at the Sailor's Home, West Point

ÆSCULAP, TTHE ONLY PALATABLE APERIENT NATURAL MINERAL WATER, IN PINTS AND QUARTS.

A. S. WATSON & Co., Hougkong Dispensary. Hongkong, December 13, 1883. Hongkong, July 25, 1878. DEC. 26, 1883. SHARE LIST -OHOTATIONS

		SHARE	LIS	rQuoi	CATIONS.	DEC	. 20, 1885.
Stocks.	Nos. of Shares	. 17 27 [44.5]	Paid-	Reserve.	Working. Account:		Closing Quo- tations, Cash:
BANKS. HK. and S'hai Dank	60,000	\$ 125	\$ 125	[.43 3 3, 198,336	\$ 52,509.62	£2	 181 % = \$351 <u>}</u>
insurances. NthChina Ins. Yangtsze Ins Union Ins. Soc. China Traders'	$\begin{bmatrix} 1.200 \\ 2.000 \end{bmatrix}$	Tl. 350 \$ 1,250	T1. 350 \$ 125	T1. 538,235 \$ 500,000	T1.230,464.77 Tl. 3,059.76 \$ *576,391.00	3 18.20+	Th. 1000 n
Insurance C'ton Ins. Office	$24,000 \\ 10,000$	\$ 250	\$ 50	,	S 107,411.65 S 506,127.77 Debit balance	4 107	8112
Chinese Ins. Co.	!				Debit balance \$3907.18		1
HK. Fire Ins China Fire Ins.	8,000 20,000	\$ 250 \$ 100	\$ 50 \$ 20	\$ 861.000 \$ 500,000	\$ 250,732.56 \$ 106,366.49	\$20 T \$3.69and bonus	\$365 a \$71 a
STEAM C'PANIES.	1					proporti- onate	
Indo - China S.	8,000	<u> </u>	.		\$ 41,320.95	6%	\$124 II
Nav. Co China & Manila S.S. Coy., Lt.			£ 10	•••	Debit.		25 % dis.
MISCELLANEOUS. HK. & Wh'pos					2 0000	4.0/	57 % prm.=
Dock HK. and China				\$18,000	• • •		\$196 }
Gas Co H'kong Hotel	5,000		E 100) £7,778.14.8)\$ 30,000	SE 1,144.18.9	83	\$84 p. shar \$150
Chur, Sugar Co. H'kong Ice Co.	+9,000	$\mathbf{S} = 100$)	5,895.50	\$8 \$12 % for	\$182 "
H'kong Bakery Luzon Stigar Co. Perak Tin Min	7,000		\$ 50 \$ 100		S 253.45 S 4,090.65		\$82 11 \$00 11
ing & Smelting Company		\$ 50	all	Rates of	First year	•••	£170 "
LOANS.				Interest.	Payable. June 30 Dec 31		
Chi. Imp., 1874				8%	Feb.28 Ag. 33	L	
n n 1879 n n 188	3,890	TI. (1500		8 %-	April & Oct. Jne16&Dc.10		par.
Sugar Deben tures, 1880	+	_			June & Dec.		2 % prem.

* For 6 months to 30th June .- | Dividend for 1882 and Bonus of 25 per cent .- To 30th April

EDWARD GEORGE, Share Broker.

1883 .- T For year 1881 .- [] For half year ended 30th sune 1883.

THE STRAITS INSURANCE COM-PANY, LIMITED.

Insurances.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to GRANT POLICIES ON MARTNE RISKS to all parts of the World, at current

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co. Hongkong, November 5, 1883.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

CAPITAL,-Two MILLIONS STEELING.

Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of and Conditions. Proposals for Life Assurances will be re-

for their decision. If required, protection will be granted on

... For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co., Agents, Hongkong & Canton. Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTEF OF

His Majesty King George The First, л. тр. 1720. MAHE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are

prepared to grant Insurances as follows :-Marine Department. Policies at current rates, payable either

here, in London, or at the principal Ports Fire Department. Policies issued for long or short periods at

current rates. Life Department. Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co. Hongkong, July 25, 1872. NOTICE.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COM-PANY. THE Undersigned are prepared to accept Risks on First Class Godowns at

per cent. net premium per annum. NORTON & Co., Agents. Hongkong, May 19, 1881. NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE

INSURANCE COMPANY. 1884, at Noon, the Company's ITHE Undersigned, Agents of the above

GILMAN & Co. Hongkong, January 1, 1882.

Not Responsible for Debts.

NJeither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or ALDEN BESSE, American barque, Capt. A. J. Davis.—Chinese.

Aiteil Austin. - Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

NELLIE M. SLADE, Amer. barque, Capt.

Onion, Austro-Hungarian steamer, Capt.

SACHEM, American ship, Captain J. W.

SELEMBRIA, British steamer, Captain

Sr. IDECC, French barque, Captain J.

Wyman.-Order.

D. Could.—Russell & Co.

Small,-P. & O. S. N. Co.

Fowler. - Russell & Co.

Duron.—Carlowitz & Co.

G. Mahorcich. -- Melchers & Co.

Pianist. -- MR. MAURICE WILLIAMS. ALICE MARY, Brit. barque, Capt. James New and Appropriate Scenery, by Mr. C. J. BARBER. Annersin, Italian barque, Captain F. Repetto.—Musso & Co. Correct Costumes and Artistic Properties.

Antiocit, American barque, Capt. J. D. The Opera will be produced under the CHI YUEN, Chinese steamer, Capt. Wal-Personal Supervision of Mr. JEFF. D'ANGELIS. lace, -C. M. S. N. Co. Mount Lebanon, Brit. barquetine, Capt. Nelson.—Rozario & Co. NELLIE MAY, American barque, Captain

Interval of 15 Minutes between 1st d 2nd Acts. Box Plan at Messrs. KELLY & WALSH'S, where Seats may be segured. J. CHAS. DAVIS.

Manager. Hongkong, December 26, 1883.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL The Steamship * Glenaron,"

Capt. Donaldson, will be despatched as above on or about the 5th January. This Steamer has superior Cabin Accommodation, and carries a Doctor, and Stewardess.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hongkong, December 26, 1883.



STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, MARSEILLES. MALTA, GIBRALTAR,

BRINDISI, TRIESTE, VENICE, AND LONDON; BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND

AUSTRALIA. N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF PORTS. MARSEILLES TRIESTE, HAMBURG, NEW YOR

AND BOSTON. THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steam-ship PEKIN, Captain A. Synons, with Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for LONDON, vid BOMBAY

and SUEZ CANAL, on TUESDAY, the

8th January, 1884, at 4 p.m. Cargo will be received on board until 10 a.m. on the day of shiling. Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office until 10 a.m. on the day of sailing. Silk and Valuables for Europe will be transhipped at Colombo; Tes and General Cargo for London-will be conveyed vid Bombay without transhipment, arriving. one seek later than by the ordinary direct route via Colombo.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGA-TION COMPANY'S Office, Hongkong. The Contents and Value of Packages are required to be declared prior to shipment. Shippers are particularly requested to and Spars. -- MELCHERS & Co. note the terms and conditions of the Company's Black Bills of Loding.

· For further Particulars, regarding

FREIGHT and PASSAGE, apply to the

senger for MARSEILLES. McIVER, Superintendent. Hongkong December 26, 1883.

To-day's Advertisements. To-day's Advertisements.

FOR HOIHOW AND HAIPHONG. The Steamship Capt. McCaslin, will be despatched for the above AND THE BRAHMINS, Ports TO-MORROW, the 27th Instant, at Daylight.

> For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co. Hongkong, December 26, 1883.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY

LIMITED. FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW The Co.'s Steamship "Kwanglung," Capt. M. Young, will be despatched for the above THEATRE ROYAL, Ports on FRIDAY, the 28th Instant, at Daylight, instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to .

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,

DAVIS & D'ANGELIS.....Lessees. General Managers. Hongkong, December 26, 1883. SATURDAY EVENING,

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED. Under the Distinguished Patronage and Presence of H. E. the Governor, Sir Geome Ferguson Bowen, G.C.M.G., FOR SHANGHAL AND LADY BOWEN. (Taking Cargo & Passengers at through rates for CHEFOO, HANKOW and Ports

FOR THIS WIGHT ONLY OF on the YANGTSZE.) THE LOPTUS TROUPE The Co.'s Steamship. " Fooksang," Captain Hoog, will be despatched as above on MESSES, GILBERT AND SULLIVAN'S Renowned Comic Opera
THE PIRATES OF PENZANCE, FRIDAY, the 28th Instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers. s performed over Two Hundred Times Hongkong, December 26, 1883.

> AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT · SAID, AND TRIESTE

(Taking Cargo at through_rates to CAL-CUTTA, PERSIAN GULF PORTS, ODESSA, and the MEDITERRANEAN PORTS.) The Co.'s Steamship Capt. G. Mahorsich, will be despatched as above on

FRIDAY, the 28th Instant, instead of the time as previously advertised, For further Particulars, apply to MELCHERS & Co.,

Agents. Hongkong, December 26, 1883.

FOR SWATOW AND BANGKOK. THE SCOTTISH ORIENTAL STEAM-SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

The Company's Steamer "Kong Beng," Captain R. Jones, will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 29th Instant,

For Freight or Passage, apply to YUEN FAT HONG, Agents. Hongkong, December 26, 1883. 4214

GRIFFIN AUCTION.

TITESSRS. SAYLE & Co., will Sell IVI Public Auction, at the RACE EN-CLOSURE, HAPPY VALLEY, on the morn-

SATURDAY.

the 29th Instant, at 8 a.m.,— TWO HIGH CLASS GRIFFINS specially selected in Mongolia by the excel-lent judge of racing stock "Tientsin." These Ponies are very handsome and have been highly tried.

THREE SELECTED GRIFFINS of superior quality. SAYLE & Co.,

Auctioneers. Hongkong, December 26, 1883. 1208



MITSU BISHI MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

STEAM TO NAGASAKI AND KOBE, For PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY IS-VIA INLANDOSEA. (Taking Cargo and Passengers for YOKO-HAMA.)

THE S.S. KUMAMOTO MARU, Capt. DRUMMOND, due here on or about the 30th Instant, will be despatched as above on The FRIDAY, the 4th January, 1884, at 4 p.m. Cargo received on board and Parcels at the Office up to 1 p.m. of day of sailing.

No Bill of Lading signed under \$2

All Claims must be settled on board before delivery is taken, otherwise they will not be recognized. Cargo and Passencers for Yokohama will be transhipped to the Shanghai Mail Steamer at Kobe. For further Particulars, apply at the Company's OFFICES, Praya Central, Ground Floor of Messrs Russell & Co.

H. J. H. TRIPP, The following hours are observed in closing Hongkong, December 26, 1883. Day before departure (or Saturday if the de-

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS. Doc. 24, Titan, American ship, 1,175, C.

ORDER.

H. Norris, Portland (Oregon) Nov. 3, Day of departure,-Flour. -- ORDER. Dec. 25. Jupiter, Russian barque, 680, C. Johannsen, Cardiff July 16, Coal .-

Dec. 25, Alden Besse, American barque, 812, Noyes, Victoria, B.C. Oct. 31, Lumber Dec. 25, Chi Yuen, Chinese steamer, 1,196, F. H. Wallece, Amoy and Swatow

N.B.—This Steamer takes Cargo and Pas. Dec. 24, General.—U. M. S. N. Co. Dec. 25, Esmeralda, British steamer, 395, G. Wright, Manila and Amoy Dec. 24, 1213 General. -- Russell & Co.

ARRIVALS. Dec. 25, Kong Beng, British steamer,

YUEN FAT HONG.

SELL & Co.

SIEMBSEN & Co.

488 Chinese.

Vernon, and 340 Chinese.

56 Chinese for Hongkong.

Singapore, 500 Chinese.

Mr Hansen, and 57 Chinese.

Coal.—SIEMBSEN & Co.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Dec. 25, Changchow, British steamer,

Dec. 26, Cheang Hock Kian, British str.

956, Fred. Webb, Penang Dec. e14, and Singapore 18, General.—Bun Hin Chan.

E. Christiansen, Macao Dec. 26, Ballast .-

DEPARTURES.

25, Venice, for Singapore, &c. 25, Kaisar-I-Hind, for Europe, &c.

Dec. 25, Lusitania, for Manila.

25, Chinkiang, for Shanghai.

25, Changchow, for Canton.

26. Anna Bertha, for Quinhon.

26. Camorta, for Saigon, &c.

26, Amatista, for Manila.

26, H.B.M.S. Fly, for Canton.

26, U.S.S. Juniata, for Manila.

CLEARED.

None.

Arrived.

Norris and family, Mr C. Nickerson, and

Por Alden Besse, from Victoria, B.C., Mr

Per Chi Yuen, from Amoy and Swatow,

Per Esmeralda, from Manila and Amoy,

Per Kong Beng, from Bangkok, 80 Chi

Per Amatista, from Manila, 1 European.

Per Cheang Hock Kian, from Penang and

DEPARTED.

Singapore, Messrs G. A. Burns, R. C. Mo

zoomdar, E. Streichenberg, C. H. Colvin

E. M. L. Smith, and Su Pak Wing; for

Penang, Mesers Sum Quoy, Nuy Kum, and

C. E. Caulfield; for Bombay, Messrs J.

Pestonjee, and P. D. Gotla; for Venice.

Mr and Mrs Benjamin Smith, Mr and Mrs

Wm. Succkner: for London. Mrs and Miss

Gauldie, Lieut. E. H. Bayly, R. N., Capt.

B. F. Holme, and Mr J. Paterson: for

Marseilles, Messra C. S. Powell, and F.

Cass. From Shanghai; for Penang, Mr

Dudgeon's native servant : for Calcutta, Mr

De Somalli's native servant : for Marseilles,

Mr F. J. Marshall, Mrs M. S. Cary, Mr J.

S. Cary, Mr and Mrs Farnham. From

Yokohama: for Sydney, Mr and Mrs Lowe

and European servant; for Singapore, 3

Chinese; for Brindisi, Miss E. Talcott, and

To DEPART.

Per Khiva, from Hongkong for Nagasaki,

Mr A. H. Brightlocke; from London for

Yokohama, Rev. Th. Atkinson, Mrs Atkin-

son, infant and 4 children, Messrs W. Lake,

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The American ship Titan reports: Left

Portland (Oregon) on Nov. 3rd. Arrived

Honolulu Nov. 22nd, and left again next

morning in company with barque Alden,

The American barque Alden Besse reports:

Touched at Honolulu, sailed from there on

23rd Nov., light trades and pleasant wear-

The Chinese steamer Chi Yuen reports

Fresh monsoon and cloudy with high fol-

The British steamer Esmeralda reports:

The British steamer Kong Beng reports:,

The British steamer Amatista reports:

The British steamer Cheang Hock Kian

reports: Experienced strong monsoon and

cloudy weather throughout with strong cur-

The German steamer Olympia reports:

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Per Rajanattianuhar, at 7.30 a.m., on

For STRAITS, COLOMBO, AND BOM

Per Orion, at 11.30 a.m., on the Friday,

LAND, COOKTOWN. TOWNS-

VILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, AND

French Contract Packet Yangtse

will be despatched on TUESDAY

the 1st January, with Mails for the

United Kingdom, Europe, and places beyond, vid Naples; to Saigen, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon,

the Australasian Colonies, Pondichery

The usual hours will be observed in closing

HOURS OF CLOSING

THE FRENCH MAIL

Mails, &c., by the French Contract

P.M.-Money Order Office closes.

A.M.—Registry of Letters ceases.

Posting of all printed matter

open out of Office hours.

A.M.—Post Office opens.

and patterns ceases.

11 A.M. - Mails closed, except for Late

11.10 LM.—Letters may be posted with

Late Fee of 10 cents until

11.30 A.M. - When the Post Office closes | next

Post Office closes, except the Night Box, which is always

Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.

the Mails, &c.

parture be on Monday) .-

entirely.

Madras, Calcutta, Aden, Mauritius,

Per Naples, at 4 p.m., on Tuesday, the

Strong N.W. wind throughout.

MAILS will close:-

Friday, the 28th inst.

the 28th inst.

MELBOURNE.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET .-

Had moderate monsoon and fine weather

Strong Easterly and N.E. winds with heavy

Strong monsoon and very dirty weather.

sea throughout the voyage.

Miss M. Talcott.

and J. Keoda.

lowing sea.

throughout.

rent to the S.W.

For BANGKOK.

Per Kaisar-I-Hind, from Hongkong : for

Per Titan, from Portland (Oregon), Mrs

PASSENGERS.

26, Hermann, for Takno.

Dec. 26, Olympia, German steamer, 783,

1,109, Whittle, Shanghai Dec. 21, General.

POST OFFICE NOTICES. THE ENGLISH MAIL 862, Jones, Bangkok Dec. 16, General.

The following hours are observed in closing Maile, &c., by the British Centrect Dec. 25, Massalia, German steamer, 1,262, G. Petersen, Kuchinotzu Dec. 20, Packet :-Day of Departure,-Noon -Money Order Office closes Doc. 25, Amatista, British steamer, 522, Hamlin, Manila Dec. 22, General.—Rus-

2 P.M. Registry of Letters coasca. Posting of all printed matter and patterns cosses. 3 P.M. Mail closed, except for Late Letters. 3.10 P.M.—Letters may be posted with Late Fee of 10 cents until

HOURS OF CLOSING

3.30 P.M. -- When the Post Office closes entirely. 3.40 p.m.-Late Letters may be posted on board the packet with Late Fee of 10 cents until time of

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping. Daylight .- Ping-onleaves for Holhow, &c.

Auctions. 3 p.m.-Auction of Japanese Portelain Ware, &c., at Mr J. M. Armstrong's.

General Memoranda.

departure.

FRIDAY, December 28 :--Daylight. -Kwangtung leaves for Coast Ports. 8 s.m.—Rajanattiumihar leaves Bangkok.

4 p.m. - Fooksang leaves for Shanghai. Orion leaves for Straits, Colombo, &c. SATURDAY, December 29:-8 a.m. - Kong Beng leaves for Swatow, &c. 8 a.m.-Auction of Griffins at the Race Enclosure, Happy Valley. 2 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture

at No. 3, Blue Buildings. Goods per Owari Maru undelivered after this date subject to rent. 9 p.m.—Performance at the City Hall. Monday. December 31 :---

3 p.m.—P. M. S. Co.'s Steamer leaves for · Yokohama and San Francisco. Final Call of £10 on Shares New Issue of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corporation due.

Tuesday, (New Year's Day), 1884 :-Noon.—French Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe. Interest Warrants of \$5 per Share of Canton Insurance Office, Ld., will be issued. WEDNESDAY, January 2: 11 a.m.—Meeting of Members of the

Hougkong General Chamber of Commerce at the City Hall. FRIDAY, January 4:-4 p.m.-Mitsu Bishi Mail leaves for SATURDAY, January 5 :--

4 p.m.—Changchow leaves for Australian Monday, January 4: 5 p.m.—Amatista leaves for Samakan and Kudat, vin Manila.

Tuesday, January 8 :-4 p.m.—English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe. 4 p.m.—Naples leaves for Australian

THE

HONGKONG DISPENSARY. Established A.D. 1841.

香港大縣房 A. S. WATSON & Co., FAMILY & DISPENSING CHEMISTS.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGISTS. IMPORTERS DEUGGISTS' SUNDRIES, NERSERY REQUI-SITES, TOILET REQUISITES, ENGLISH,

> AMERICAN, AND FRENCH PATENT MEDICINES. MANUFACTURERS

Soda Water, Lemonade, Tonic Water. Gingerade, Potass Water, Sarsarparilla Water, and other Acrated Waters. 78 The Manufactory is under direct and

continuous European Supervision.

Hongkong, June 1, 1876.

reference.

Passengens arriving in Hongkong, or any other persons who may desire to consult the files of local, China, Japan, American, English Indian or Australian newspapers, are invited to call at the "CHINA MAIL" Office, where over sixty newspapers, dailies and weeklies, from these countries, are now filed for

per The publication of this issue commenced at 7.25 p.m.

The China Mail. HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1883.

TELEGRAMS. Paris, 24th December. His Excellency the Marquis Tseng, who has had several interviews with M. Ferry lately respecting the Tonquin question,

returns to London to-day. The diplomatic relations between the French and Chinese Governments still remain undisturbed, and there is no talk of a rupture so lar. The 3,000 additional troops lately placed under orders to reinforce the French ex-

General Millot.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

peditionary force in Tonquin, sailed from

Toulon yesterday, under the command of

The S. S. Glengarry left Singapore on the 22nd inst.; due here on or about the 30th instant. The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer Telicer left o Singapore on the 23rd inst.; due here on or about the 31st instant.

The Union Line steamer Lord of the Isles. left Singapore on the 24th instant; due here ower about the 31st instant. THE Manile Races will take place on the 30th and 31st January, and 1st of February

11.40 a.m. Late Letters may be posted On the 15th instant the steamer Remus on board the packet with Late went ashore while trying to enter the port

Fee of 10 cents until time of of Calapan (Mindoro). A large portion of the cargo was thrown overboard, but, Ir seems that bachelors are hardly dealt ever other countries by the circumstance of the engagements of the 28th of the people hereabouts made them easy notwithstanding, the steamer remained fast with in the American Navy. The wives of of Australia being a British possession. Seems that backelors are hardly dealt ever other countries by the circumstance of the engagements of the engagements of the engagements of the engagements of the circumstance of the engagements of the engagement on the rock. News of the disaster was officers employed on the Asiatic station are conveyed to Manila by the steamer Romitlus, which sighted the Lemus ashere, tractions," and their husbands are all so and, with great difficulty, took off the mail Immediately on receipt of the information, different ships, so that the married men the Romalus, Bolus, the tugboat Jumbo, with two lorchas in tow, was despatched to the scone of the accident and on the 18th instant the Remus was towed into Manila harbour the Romulus. The Remus was to always afternoon. Very good business .be docked, and repaired sufficiently to permit of her coming to Hongkong without

Cathedral had the same attention bestowed upon them as usual, and they brightened the too bare walls of the interior. There is a lack of ornamentation, especially at the Eastern end of the sacred edifice, which the -razily supplies, and we wonder that something more permanent is not suggested by wimple designs produce at these chief festivals. There is much need of a reredus below the beautiful East window. However plain and simple, it would relieve the mowas pointed in imitation of encaustic tiling as an experiment, in the hope, we hear, that | An audacious attempt to obtain goods on a wool on a crimson background. "Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given;" and of the window: "The word was made ferns and flowers as were also those of the North and South transcots. There was a in the centre of which was a cross of white camellias, with vases on either side, filled wreathed with evergreens and red berries, in the centre; the reading deak opposite and white chrysanthemums, and was surchancel and in the transepts. Mr Ford, up to morrow.—Shanghai Courier. Superintendent of the Botanical Gardens &c., directed, as usual, the wreathing of Tue following extract from a letter from recent notes of his; "It is now mearly the arches and pillars throughout the Takow, on hospital- ik among the Chi- twelve months since I last was called upon the chancel nave and West end, which is nese, has been placed at our disposal; to cross quille with 'Cuttle.' On the always a laborious undertaking; and also "We have recently had from the Govern- last occasion, I fancy, that scribe rather kindly supplied pots of flowers and plants. | ment School, Hongkong, through the kindly | regretted having moved me to wrath, but, The ladies to whom we are indebted for interest of the Chief Justice, two young * their assistance in the rest of the work were | Chinese, well up in English, come to this | thought proper in his penultimate contrithe Misses Bowen, Miss Thornton, Mrs A. B. Johnson, Miss de Jersey, Mrs A. McEwen, Misses Linstead, and Misses Lobb. We understand that many of the decorations will remain in the Cathedral as is customary, over the New Year and the Epiphany season.

The other places of worship in the Colony, were also very effectively and appropriately decorated. The Roman Catholic Cathedral was very elaborately decorated. and the appearance of the high altar, adorned with innumerable wreaths of flowers, was beautiful in the extreme. High mass was celebrated by Bishop Raimondi on Christmas Eve, in the presence of a large number anatomy, physiology, midwifery, surgery, of alherents and also a good sprinkling of spectators, who were deeply impressed by the ceremony.

In Union Church, the decorations were very pretty, and those ladies who planned them deserve to be congratulated on their admirable taste. Though not very extensive, the decorations here were decidedly of a superior character.

THE Tonic Sol-fa Reporter wickedly prints the following as an extract from the adjudication at a recent choir contest in the North of England :- "I have judged the test piece principally from the unison passage at the beginning, because, you see, unison singing is like a line of soldiers when one gets out you can detect it, but you cannot so well when they are mixed."—

THE Chinese corvette Kaichi went ashore at Kushan Point on the morning of the 18th Dec. The C.M.S.N. Co.'s steamer Kianggii went to her assistance and spent the greater part of the day in efforts to tor for two hours. The water then falling. and darkness coming on, the Kiangyii cost off the towing ropes and left the corvetto with a fair prospect of getting off at the next tide. - N.-C. D. News.

THE following items are taken from the Manila papors : The American barque Martha, Captain J. M. Benson, arrived at Manila from Hongkong on the 17th Dec. in ballast. - The Comercio Cobu correspondent writing under date of Det. 10th, says that the American barque Eduard, with 32,235 bags sugar and 2,064 bales raw barque Deamont, in ballast, arrived at Cebu from Hongkong, and also another British barque arrived there with rice. flour, salt, and a general cargo, -The American ship Luzon, Captain J. A. Welly, from Shanghai, arrived at Manila on the 14th December, with a general cargo. —The British berque Auglorea was chartered at Mamile for New York at \$9.50 per bon of wet sugar. The American barque Eviz Reed was chartored at Manila for New York at private rate, to carry sugar and heme

all of them "ladies of great personal atuxorious that there has been "a most reckless shifting about of officers between the may be with their wives in agreeable places." The real staff is composed of the ladies, who ship off the poor devils of bachelors to Corea or Chefoo, collect their husbands together on the flagship, and then settle down for the season somewhere where it is

Engineering says: - Owing to the peculiarity of the Chinese characters, each of which represents a word, not a letter, as in our THE Christmas decorations at Saint John's western tongues, the Danish Telegraph Company (the Great Northern) working the new Chinese lines have adopted the following device :- There are from five to six thousand characters or words in ordinary Chinese language and the company have provided a wooden block or type for each decorating at Easter and Christmas tempo- of these On one and of this block the character is cut or stamped out, and on the other end is a number representing the character. The clerk receives a message in sage as meaning: "The preceptor should the effects which a little colour and a few numbers and takes the block of each num- hold the holy place of father." ber transmitted and stamps with the oppos site end the proper Chinese character on the message form. Thus a Chinese message sent in figures is translated into Chinese characters again and forwarded to its destination. The sending clerk, of course, notony and bareness of the present arrange- requires to know the numerical equivalent in the place of a sacred parent, earth withment. Two years ago part of the East wall of the characters or have them found for

it might induce someone to present a more forged letter has been made by two men substantial and occlosicatical design in its who have recently returned to Shanghai place. Over the large arch of the chancel from Corea. One is a German named windowsan the text, made of letters of white Rupart, and the other an Englishman named William George Harrison. Rupart was formerly constable at the German Conanother appropriate text was at the foot sulate at Tientsin, and was latterly engaged as a personal servant by Mr. P. G. von Mollendorf, Vice-President of the Coroan flesh." The window sill was filled with Foreign Office. Harrison was at one time banquet. an examiner in the Chinese Customs service, but was discharged, and he succeeded in obtaining a position on the Corean Customs small temporary reredos behind the Altar, service. Both having been discharged from their positions in Corea, they came across to Shanghai, and laid their heads together to carry out some swindling operaalso with camellies and roses. On each rations by trying to obtain goods on a letter side of the window were red banners with Durporting to be signed by Mr P. G. von Mollendorf. They did not succeed, howthe two texts in wool; "I am the way," ever; they ordered about \$150 worth of "I" am the life:" The pulpit was goods at one store, but the letter was taken to the German Consulate, and the signature was found to be fraudulent. Harrison was remind us of the home holly, brought up on a warrant at H. B. M.'s of wild white camelling Police Court this afternoon (Dec. 21st), charged with having on the 5th December forged and counterfeited a letter purporting harmonizing with it. The font was to be signed by P. G. von Mollendorf; he simply decorated with a wreath of mess admitted that he wrote the letter at the request of another person, who put the signature to it; and he was remanded. mounted with a cupola and white chrysan- Rupart was brought up at the German Conthemum cross. A few ecclesiastical designs sulate this afternoon, on a similar charge. the signature having, it is alloyed, been relieved the walls at the entrance to the forged by him, and he will be again brought

> hospital to learn medicine. We give them food and lodging, and they are to work. They have bound themselves for two years, I give them about five hours' instruction a human body, presented by kind friends at home, a complete disarticulated akeleton, and unlimited books, plates, etc. My theory is that however long young Chinese may stay at the hospital as merely mechanica imitators, or assistants as they are styled, they can never be fit to be trusted alone; and that without a thorough knowledge of anatomy and physiology no diagnostic power over disease can be acquired. Of this class are the best-and they are only four-of the many quacks who overrun this Island, and undermine the good that has been done by legitimate and foreign medicos. I believe I can thoroughly ground Englishspeaking and reading inen in osteology, and medicine if they conscientiously work; and I hope to have ere long two young men who will pass an examination before as many doctors as I can get to examine them. They will be at least infinitely better than their predecessors, and I hope, with the exception of education at some European Medical School, will be in the best position anxious for youths simi arly trained for his military services, as also for general practhe Hongkong Government will be favourable to the scheme. As all effort of secular agement and support.—N.-C. D. News.

NOTES BY THE WAY,

The agitation in Australia for the annexation of New Guinea and other islands in the Pacific, and the action taken by the British Government in the matter, have had one important result. Australians are beginning to consider seriously, I think, for the first time, the question of separation from the mother country. I was very much astonished at a passage in a private letter, her off. After staying by her for nine received from Melbourne, which a friend hours, the tide being favourable, she towed here showed me the other day. It mad as here showed me the other day. It read as follows :- "There is a grand future for Australia, and there is, I believe, opportunity to make history for any one who has the necessary ability and the courage to act description, and that tight lacing is pracupon his convictions. I allude not only tised upon the tenderest members of the to the federation scheme, but to the incritable separation from the old country." ..

Lam told that the writer of this letter is not a political agitator in any sense, but a man quietly pursuing business avocations in Melbourne. England and Englishmen hemp, has left for New York; the British derive such small advantage through the Australian colonies being a portion of the British empire, that I cannot think there would be any serious obstacles thrown in the way of the Australians "cutting the painter" if they were so minded. In the event of war, the English navy would be able to use Australian ports for re-fitting, coaling, etc., but I fail to see that England

Our commerce is not more favoured in Australian ports now than it would be after separation. Australia is pre-eminently English, and Englishmen will always bo able to find a home there, although we may not enjoy the privilege, and expense, of protecting our countrymen in the Antipodes. It is to be, however, earnestly hoped that if separation does come, it will be effected without any ill feeling being aroused on either side.

What a dreadful mess the local papers made of the quotation from Juvenal given by Sir George Bowen in the course of his speech at St Paul's College the other day! The passage should read thus :-

Di, majorum umbris tennem et sine pon Spirantesquo crocos, et in uma perpe-Qui praceptorem sancti voluere parentis

* Esse loco.

out weight, breathing crocuses and continuous spring upon their um."

of London in his speech at the Guildhall runs out to South Africa, is doing.

Nothing makes a man appear more ridiculous than, when trying to be witty or sarcastic, he commits an egregious blunder himself. An American writer, in endeavouring to be funny at the expense of these invitations before me. It is got up you Frenchmen, when you saw rebellion in that all the transportations of troops and Prince Kung, the uncle of the present in a most attractive style, and made to look Emperor of China, thus betrays his igno-

addressed General Grant in English, so assuring him that he was born to com- a "free city." The promoters of these lotmand, he said: "Sire, Generale! you vos! made to order." 🐎

"Banian"—why nob " Banana"—is not man with a large amount of guile, but he certainly possesses his full amount of conceit. For the edification of those who have not the pleasure of seeing "Banian's" lucubrations. I clip the following from some gathering new boldness with time, he has

bution to refer to me in sareastic tones," Lavator once wrote: "He who gives himself airs of importance exhibits the day, and have a most perfect model of the credentials of impotence." Do not take the unction to your soul, my gentle Banian," that the reason of my not referring to your weekly productions for many months is that on the last occasion when we crossed quills you annihilated me. In the first place, I really have not the faintest recollection of any such catastrophe, although I have no objection to your assuming it did occur, if it pleases you. There are two chief reasons why I have not noticed your weekly productions of late. One is that I believe quibbles between writers in the local papers only amuse people with the feeblest minds; the other is that there has been nothing in your contributions to write about. It was only when you piled up the the practice among the Chinese of binding pen quivered when you thought that such an atrovity was countenanced in a British tice I think, also, if these turn out well. Colony, that I ventured to suggest you might substitute "tight-lacing" for "footmissionary work it is deserving of encour- I binding" and then howl again about the backslidings of civilization.

> "Tell me," says friend Banian, "what analogy there is between foot-binding andtight-lacing. To begin with, does tight-lacfoot-binding does ! Again, is the result of tight-lacing agony in the same sense as the result of foot-binding ! Moreover, is tight. lacing practised upon the tenderest members of the tenderer sex "?

> cally "yes," although "Banian" apparently expects the answer "no." I say that tightlacing does frequently cripple the victim for life; that its result is often agony of the worst tenderer sex. I even go so far as to say that as drink is the curse of civilized males; tight-lacing is the curse of civilized females. ing joke illustrated :-

Honesty the best policy :- Modest Youth. "May I have the pleasure of dancing with you, Miss Lightfoot!" Miss Lightfoot (to her Mother's horror). Thanks-no! My waistband is so tight I can't move, and so are my shoes !" Modest Youth is so touched that he proposes on the spot !]

Turning up a modern work on medicine and surgery I there find the following remarks on tight-lacing :--

practice is still followed to an injurious and resumed my peaceful occupations. Do because we were afraid of you, but because extent. . . . It would astonish most, you still dare to brag of the bravery of we knew that negotiations were going on buwere they made aware of he many curved your troops, of the magnitude of your tween the Great Emperor and your country spines there are, in how many, who even country, and of the superiority of your about Annam. It was for this reasons that do not themselves suspect it, the deviation, military organisation? Do you say that we did not continue hostile operations, lest exists, and how often it is the occasion of your country is the largest upon earth— we might prejudice the good wishesof China impaired health, palpitation of the heart, that it is the most powerful—that you are You, on the contrary, attribute this to hysterical and other affections. Moreover, the bravest among all nations—that there fear! But, in the first place, I was waiting the above spinal weakness is not the only is no nation in the world that dares to fight to see what your next move was to be, so evil consequence, for it is too often mixed with you? In my opinion you appear to that I might counteract your plans; and un with disorders of the digestive and cir- be nothing more than dogs. My own in the next place I was awaiting reinforceculatory organs, originated by their com- followers submit to me because I love ments. Eventually you will all be gathered pression by the ciothing.

Foot-binding does not compress the vital parts; tight-lacing does. Tie a piece of string round your finger over so lightly and let it remain there for a few hours; a red indentation will be the result; imagine a similar pressure steadily maintained, by daily renewals, for years, and you have some conception of the "shaping" of the waist by stays, and the internal disarrangement

Trade in the Far East may be languishing at the present moment for very obvious The Governor, I see, translated the past reasons, but I do not think we are doing worse than the South African colonists. learn from a home paper that the trade of literally translated it would, I think, the Cape Colony has fallen off to such an read something like this: "May the gods extent that, instead of giving full employgrant to the shades of our ancestors, who ment for as fast line of fourteen large would have that the teacher should stand stenmers, six ore new found to be ample. The not earnings of the Union Steamship Company have dropped from £150,000 to £56,000. You were not only con- dogs and sheep, hope to conquer us, who directors have been casting about for new quered; you had to pay a war-indemnity are like tigers and panthers? You can It is, however, too much to expect re- routes, and have found one between Liverporters for Hongkong papers to be classical pool, Azores, Bermuda, and Newport News scholars, expecially when we find a note in The chief attraction of this new route is a critical journal received by the last mail the transport of labour from the Azores to are only making yourselves a laughing- physician, you will surely have no cause that not one of the London daily papers Newport News, a place about 200 miles stock to the world. I am afraid you are for shame hereafter. But if you do not printed correctly the Greek and Latin quota. from New York. I have not heard what tions given by the newly-elected Lord Mayor | the "Castle" line of steamers, which also |

I dare say some of your readers have received, by post, invitations to take chances. in the city of Hamburg. I have one of as mach as possible like a huge bank-note. These lotteries are no credit to Hamburg . The Japanese premier, Prince Kung, but I suppose the will continue to exist Trying to compliment him, by there so long as Hamburg continues to be teries seem to be making a great push just cumstances, may bring thousands and thoufavourable; and in spite of the sender's furto reserve for me "for the present, half : city of Hamburg, at three shillinga," I shal, not remit him that sum, although ass ared of his promptness and honesty in the mat-

PATRIOTIC LETTER PURPORTING FU. CHIEF OF THE BLACK FLAGS TO ADMIRAL COURBET, COM MANDER-IN-CHIEF OF THE FRENCH FORCES IN TONQUIN

BY A GRADUATE OF NANKING.

It is a well-known fact that when soldiers were engaged in nuclent times, there was no confusion in rendering obedience to orders. battle. I hear that by dint of no small men. I had with me were not all my

have in ne wise been trained to arms; be at peace. hence I have been able to rule them by the France. Though your ormity against me you will be enlightened, and return Hanoi It is indeed laughable that everything you you have done this, even though I hold to China, if ever she wants protection China ther hostilities, and write to the Fu-t'ai family of children, all their needs, such your retreat, compassionating your abject as protection against cold, heat, pain, or poverty, I will not lay a heavy hand upon irritation, are ministered to by their par- you, but effect a Treaty with you instead. therefore, any outsider attempts to fondle and will not eat the words that I have the children, even though it should be spoken. But if you still persist in your Your doings in Annam are on all-fours with the Imperial commands, will stake my life this. Besides, I know that you French in battle with you, and I personally will be were conquered by the Prussians, that your the advance guard of the Chinese army. fortresses were dismantled, and your Em- How can you, Frenchmen, being like to try and protect those that are left clous, then, it would be better that you

other nations? When the Great Emperor of China ordered | wish to fight against you, still, if you perhis generals into Annam, it was for the sist, your very dens and caves in Saigon express purpose of suppressing the rebel will be wrested from you, nor will a single hordes. After this had been accomplished, soldier or trooper of France be suffered to they all returned home. They did not remain in Annam. And when every nation take by force a single grain of rice, nor did in the world knows this, will you still have in some of the "great money lotteric they disturb a single stack of corn; dogs the face to remain as a country in Europe? guaranteed by Government," which flourish and fowls had no fear of them, and the You will suffer the same fate as you did inhabitants lived at their homes in peace. when, under Napoleon the Third, you This is what is called "protection." But fought against Prussia. Now I have heard the provinces, simply sat down and looked such like to Annam were the sole idea of on ; you never sent a single soldier to assist one man—the former Minister of Foreign the King, but, on the contrary, you in- Affairs; it was not the idea of the President stigated the rebels to disobedience, and of the Republic, nor were the French thus became the means of creating trouble. people at case when they saw so much There was not the least "protection" given. | money being expended on the expedition. I pass over what has been done before to So it seems to me that the whole affair was what is being done now. If you have the the private scheme of a single individual least idea of affording "protection," what against the wishes of the whole people of do you mean by capturing Annamese cities, France. This was the reason of the retirenow. "One single trial, favoured by cir- killing Annamese mandarins, ransacking ment from office of the Minister for Foreign the Annamese Treasury, and forcing the Affairs. The present Foreign Minister is Annamese Kingtosigna Treaty? Moreover, yet without any settled ideas of his own, sands." So says this invitation. I don't you bring over Black Devils [Turcos] who and those of his colleagues should, in view doubt the trutle of the statement, but un- ravish our women and rob our goods- of this, influence him to abandon the policy fortunately the circumstances are so rarely indeed, there is not a single thing that they of his predecessor. do not do.. They are more ferocious than poverty-stricken murderers and the fiercest within three days from its receipt by you ther assurance that he had taken the libe rty robbers; in fact they are twice as bad. If you remain silent, beware lest you share You pretend to be just and merciful, but the same fate as Rivière! Think three by your acts you prove yourselves akin times over this ticket, stamped with the official scal of the to thieves and murderers. The Great Written by a Chinese scholar of deter Emperor of China is at present highly

wroth, and has commanded his generals and armies to take the field in order to war. against and punish you French. I, Liu Jung-fu, have received despatches from Hsii, Fu-t'ai of Kuangsi, stating that he has been honoured with an Imperial Decree directing him to tell me to gather together my forces and recapture Hanoi, and in no case to make a retrograde movement. Such are the commands of Heaven. then be possible for the officials and people | was broken, the fire-irons thrown about, and of Annam to live a few years longer. therefore, brave in spirit, have mustered my forces, which are composed men who have at one time or another

received some kindness from me, and who are therefore willing to die for me and for

Now you Frenchmen have been creating Heaven has participated in the bounty of clothes in all directions. The family Bible ten months. Your General has been killed, the most distant lands sing praises of his the same, and on attempting to pick them which is a shame upon your country; the good deeds, and there is not one soul who up a boot flew over the girl's head, striking expenditure of your money in this war has does not feel happy to submit to Him, ! themantelpiece, Mrs Jones, getting alarmed. been the means of impoverishing your The King of Annam is also a lover of sent the girl home. On arriving there "her people; similar disasters will be multiplied justice, and in everything connected with presence induced a lump of coal to leap as you go an, and yet you do not know how you Brenchmen, he had acted up to his from the fire across the room to a table : to repent of having produced such calamities. high principles. When he warred with and the nower-pots in the window also How can you answer for the deeds you per- you, he only did so through force of cir- behaved in an extraordinary manner." form? You are no better than beasts which | cumstances; he never had any idea origin- | This continued during the night. "Six devour their own parents, and you will but ally of driving you out. But you French panes of glass were broken in the room, pollute the swords which may yet kill you; men have nothing but the spirit of injury and outside the greatest disorder prevailed. but you are entitled to no compassion. I within you; evils of which others have no and on the side of the house were strewn agony to a distressing degree in regard to only pity the inhabitants of Pei-ch'i, whom | conception are propagated by you. You broken bricks, crockery, glass, stones, &c., you have so distressed and trampled upon have already cajoled us out of a hundred which could not be accounted for in any way. that the mere sighing of the winds and myriads of money; you have encreached One woman was struck with a stone one for propagating Western ideas upon the the feet of female children, and said your the shricking of storks make them fancy upon six of our best provinces; and you hundred and fiftyyards off; another, who was their enemies are approaching, so that there have obtained possession of three or four in the house, received a wound on the arm is scarcely time left for them to sleep, of our ports. Even in spite of all this, from a knife passing her; and an ulater Whose fault, I ask you, is this? You make you have been kindly treated by the belonging to the girl had every button torn our people run to and fro in terror and King of Annam, and the only return you from it in the room." A number of the distress. It is the virtue of Life, which is make, for his kindness is to encroach Shropshire constabulary then visited the an attribute of High Heaven that compels upon him still more. But now, good for premises to investigate the extraordinary me to speak these words to you, for our tune has descended on our country; our circumstances, but were unable to solve the King, also, loves his people. For the last King has changed his former mind toward mystery. The girl was made to do some few months yo r soldiers have shown signs you, and is going to sweep you off the face household work, but nothing unusual was of lassitude and enervation, and may be of Annam. In former times he never had observable. Dr. Corke, of Baschurch, was barracks without any heart to engage us in | be able to pacify the hearts of the people. | obtain much information from her. But even a piece of rock may one day stated that she was in a very excitable and You are like mules in your ideas! You may you Frenchmen, then, pause one moment ment throughout the neighbourhood. But be said to be in abject poverty, and being in your evil course, for reflection? If I like other pretenders, Emma Davis has everywhere ill spoken of, you have become have not already trespassed too much been found out. Special correspondents of even more ferocious. China is well known upon your patience, let me continue my the Telegraph and Daily News inquired into among the inhabitants of the Four Con- illustrations. Annam is by no means a rich | the "Mystery," and discovered that the tinents; why should she fear you? I know country; it is, moreover, a great distance extraordinary movements of furniture and the following countries: well enough that you dare not declare from France; and from the commencement other peculiar manifestations were product Ceylon. war against China onevertheless by your of your intercourse with us up till now ed by the girl Emma Davis, by tricks to India. brag you inflict injury on others. Nor you have gained no laurels. Even if you which she now confesses. The correspon- Japan.* do I hesitate to assert any belief that all should annex the country the inhabitants dent of the latter journal says: you say amounts to no more than empty will never submit to you in their heart of We saw Fmma Davis, a plain-looking threats to feighten people. Now listen to hearts, but will always look up to their own child not thirteen years of ago, and very what I say, and open your eyes. Iwenty mandarins for support. Besides, China has childish in appearance. She protended for years ago, when the Chinese Emperor already sent to Annam her generals, who a while to cry when requested to go through T'ung Chih had just ascended the Throne, are ferocious as bears and savages, and her some of her tricks for our benefit, but there I, trying to awoid the troubles of rebellion soldiers, who are as swift of foot as fire. I, were no tears though there was abundant China, went over to Annam; and the Liu Jung-fu, am therefore determined to evidence that the girl was a finished perput on my armour and assist them in doing former in her attempts to appear over in); own followers—they were only friends battle against you. We have rice to last whelmed with sorrow and convulsion. By of mine. On my arrival at that time us ten years in the districts west of the and by she told us that her confession to in Annam the people of the two pro- mountains. The regions north of the the ductor was the truth; that she had In the last Punch to hand I find the follow- vinces Hang Hua, and Hahan Kuang River contain grain enough to feed a herself played the tricks which have caused were in rebellion against the Annamese million mon. The country without and the whole country-side to gape open-mouth. King; wherefore the high officials asked within the frontier contains though stationed ed ever since the lat of November; that, me to appeal for volunteers. I undertook every five it, and as soon as the Chi- in short, the mysterious had nothing to do the task, I organised an army, and I was ness armies arrive all the mountains will with the business, and that nothing more instrumental in annihilating the insur- tremble beneath their footsteps. How remarkable had happened than could be limit), nor we more than two in favour of gents. For this service I obtained the unlike are we, in taking these measures credited to be could be limit), nor we more than two in favour of gents. For this service I obtained the unlike are we, [in taking these measures], credited to her own sleight of hand. The be issued to the same persons mail. rank of Assistant General of San Hislen. to you Frenchmen, whose Minister for little girl was somewhat hysterical at first, the same ayes, by the same At that time, also, you Frenchmen were Fureign Affairs, having actually the same ayes, by the same ayes, but the same ayes, by the same ayes, and ayes, ayes, and ayes, and ayes, and ayes, and ayes, and ayes, and ayes, ayes, and ayes, and ayes, ayes, and ayes, and ayes, ayes, and ayes, ayes, ayes, ayes, and ayes, ayes, ayes, and ayes, aye At that time, also, you Frenchmen were Foreign Affairs, having scraped together a but by and by she showed us how she fighting in Nan-ch'i on account of some few troops one day, must ask the Chamber made a bucket jump and a chair retreat mitted/between the Forts subject to a function to the China lang for a gredit of money the next! He can at the double to an account mitted/between the champs subject to a tuatters relating to the Chia Lung Chang for a gredit of money the next! He gets at the double. It was all effected by a means of Postage Stamps, some from the east, he borrows a little slight jerk of the hand, and when once we charge of one par continuous from the west; picks up a bit with his knew that there was nothing supernatural or Makey Orders can be granted on Postage I led troops to the Betth, and in three right hand, and fries to filch a little more to be expected it made a bucket jump and a chair retreat mitted between the Ports at the double. It was all effected by a means of Postage of one par continuous to be expected it made a bucket jump and a chair retreat mitted between the Ports at the double. It was all effected by a means of Postage of one par continuous to be expected it made a bucket jump and a chair retreat mitted between the Ports at the double. It was all effected by a means of Postage of one par continuous to be appendix of the Hongkong to be a precise of the Hongkong of the Hongk I led troops to the Beath, and in three right hand, and fries to filch a little more to be expected, it seemed very common where there are agencies of the Hongkong engagements with your seldiers | repeated | with his left. When these miserable nick | place the place of the place of the Hongkong engagements with your seldiers | repeated | with his left. When these miserable nick | place of the place of the Hongkong engagements with your seldiers | repeated | with his left. When these miserable nick | place of the Hongkong engagements with your seldiers | repeated | with his left. When these miserable nick | place of the Hongkong engagements with your seldiers | repeated | with his left. | When these miserable nick | place of the Hongkong engagements with your seldiers | repeated | with his left. | When these miserable nick | place of the Hongkong engagements with your soldiers | repeated- | with his left. When these miserable pick- place. The girl perhaps deserves some post- Office.

justice and mercy. They are nothing but into my net, and when you have all been tillers of the soil, and merchants; they put to the sword Annam will once more

You Frenchmen still cherish the idea of exercise of kindness and justice. By taking Bacninh, and also desire to capture. mutual assistance we have been able to avert | Sontay. Is not this a vain dream | Everycalamities from our Kingdom. I have al- thing I have said to you is for the se ways been victorious against the armies of benefit of you Frenchmen. Perhaps then and mine is consequently intense, still I, and Namdinh to Annam, and having so Lin Jung-fu, am by no means afraid of you. | done embark your troops at once. When have done in Annam has been under the the commands of the Great Emperor to pretext of "protecting" the Kingdom, light, still, having pity on the inhabitants Seeing that Annam is in my opinion tributary of the country, I will refrain from furis there to give it her. What are Annamese Heil to momorialise the Great-Emperor affairs to the French' For instance; in a to forgive you the sins of the past. After ents. who are their natural guardians. If I, Liu Jung-fu, will be responsible for this, from love of them, he would lay himself evil course and repent not of your idle open to the suspicion of being a kidnapper. dreams, I, Liu Jung fu, having received

as well. Some of your colonies have been expect no mercy from us, nor will any lost : would it not be more natural for you quarter be given you. Seeing us so feroyou? Open your eyes, then, before you should decamp quickly. If you, like a sick not aware how much you are despised by submit, then you will be destroyed like a crumbling mountain. Even if at present Now, as regards the word "protection." the Great Emperor does not cherish the

An answer to this letter is requested

mined mind. N.-C. D. News.

A SHROPSHIRE MYSTERY AND

said to have taken place near Shrewsbury in the house of a farmer named Hampson where a girl named Emma Davis was employed as andomestic servant. Crockery things generally disarranged. The farmer and his wife, it is now stated, "feeling any thing but comfortable at the girl's presence, discharged her, and on Thursday week the g rl went to assist Mrs Jones, a neighbour to wash, but had not long been engaged in this occupation when the bucket jumped Now I opine that every creature under about the house, throwing water and disturbances in Annum for the last nine or the Great Emperor; hence people from and other books placed on a side table did likened to animals at their last gasp in a any wish to fight you, but now he is deter- called in on Saturday, and made a close frying-pan; for you stay cooped up in your mined to do so, and by this means he will examination of the girl, but was unable to Tai Sing (a.) ing cripple the victim for life as it is obvious brag, you have attempted to frighten China, become alive, and a ferocious tiger have nervous state, but was not a designing girl. Figure. saying that you are going to attack Canton, an occasional fit of good humour. Cannot The matter naturally caused some excite- Medora.

ly routed them, captured their General, ings are lumped together they certainly pity. Her statement is that she was put

"Doctor, examine my tengue, enid a good woman. "and tell me what it needs." It needs rest," replied the doctor. Some one complimented a celebrated actress. Madame Dennis, on the way in which she had just played a particular part. "To play it woll," she said "one should be young and beautiful." "Ah, madama." replied her admirer. "you are a striking

proof of the contrary. THE president of an insurance company has addressed the following note to one of its policy holders- "It has come to our know ledge that you have written several spring poems with the intention of offering them for sale to the public press. I write this to say that if you persist in your purpose it will work a foresiture of your policy. You only pay the ordinary rates, and we always classify posts as 'extra hazardous.''' .

Quotations.

HONGKONG, December 26.

1	OPIUM-New Patna, cash,	esco1
	Old cash	• \$0023
	,, Old ,, cash,,,	E APT
_	Now Behares, cash,	. 04/2
	Old cash, New Malwa, credit,	FAAR
	,, New Blatwa, credit,	. 500/
	Allowance, Tacis	. 64/80
	., Old Malwa, credit,	. 000
	Allewance, Taels	. 80
	Exchange.	
		es lis 6
i	Bank, Wire,	3/8
. !	,, Domand,	3/8 ₆
	,, 30 days sight,	3/9
ļ	,, Domand, ,, 30 days' sight, ,, 4 months' sight,	3/0
	Orodita, Documentary 4 months sight,	3/9#
ļ	Documentary 4 months aight,	3/9#
ļ	India, Wire,	228 ₂
1	,, demand,	229
1	Shanghai, domand	: 71 4
·	,, 30 days' sight, private	73
	Gold Leaf 30 fine	827.30
	India, Wire, ,, demand, Shanghai, demand, 30 days' sight, private Gold Leaf 207 fine. Sovereigns,	2 5, 30
		· - 1
	E CONTRACTOR DE LA CONT	
1		1,111
		:
į	THE SOLVE STATE OF THE STATE OF	· ·
	TER, &c. TER, &c. TER, &c. TER, &c. ITER, &	
	HAROMHTER THERMOME THERMOME THERMOME THERMOME THERMOME THERMOME THERMOMETER The ter attached Direction of Wind Force of Wind Force of Wind Force of Wind West The mometer West The mometer Westher Hours of Rais Quantity fallen	

4 P.M. Ondate
Ondate
Ondate
Ondate 10 x.m. On date D SS S N SO On date

BAROMETER, level of the sea in inches, tens. THERMOMETER, in Fahrenheit degrees and tens, kept in the open air in a shaded situation.

Dinection or Wind & registered every two points, N., N.N.E., N.E., &c. Force or Wisn. O calm. I to 8 light breeze. 3 to 5 moderate. 6 th? fresh. 7 to 8 strong. 8 to 10 heavy. 10 to 12 violent.
State of Weather B Clear blue sky. C. . Clendy. D. Drizzly. F. Fog. G. Foggy. H. Hail. L. Lightning. M. Misty. O. Overcast. A story was pullished last week about P. Passing showers. Q. Squally. R. Ralby. some extraordinary occurrences which were | S. Snow. T. Thunder. U. Bad, threatening. V. Visibility. W. Sterm. Z. Calm. The letters are repeated to indicate any increase over the mean average of their signification.

Rain .- The hours of rain for the previous 24, hours (noon) are registered from I to 24 and the quantity of water fallen indicated in inches. tens and hundreds.

Shipping Intelligence VESSELS TO ARRIVE. AT HONGKONG.

New York Cardiff Cuxhaven 9. Totomi Maru (s.), Antwerp 11, Wilhelm Homeyer, London 18, Marie Louise. Liverpoo! 30, Stamboul (a), Marseille l, Dakota. Livernooi Charlotte. Andromeda Cardiff Margarethe. Penarth Lucia, London Anna, Penarth: 13. Teutonia (a.), Hamburg 13, Frank Carvill, Cardiff 🗲 Aura. Cafdiff Penarth 25, Raphael, New York 27. Recta (s.). London Nov. 6, Benledi (s.).

At London .- Steamers via Suez Canal Tcucer.

At Liverpool. Cyclops (s.) At Glessons. Quang Lee (s.) Ville de Strasbourg (a.) At Cardiff. Levi E. Wade. Heinrich.

Money Orders. 1.-Money Orders are exchanged

Straits Settle Taamania. 6. United Ki Port Darwin. Victoria stralia Queensland. Western also issues

2.—The Hongkong Post fra. orders on Shanghai, and of follows-(sc-3.-The commission Jorder is drawn cording to the currency

Up to £ 2, or \$10, of 50,....0.40 £ 5, or \$25, R 70,....0.60 £ 7, or \$35, R100,....0.80 £ 10, or \$50 R150.... \$1.00. R150, ... 81.00

derives any firther substantial advantage about by the uso of stays, have been so It is needless for me to point out that you empty foundation for it is not exposed; there can be substantial advantage about by the uso of stays, have been so It is needless for me to point out that you empty foundation for it is not exposed; there can be substantial advantage to the credulist Post Offer Shanghai.

THIS Review, which was intended to meet the wants of many students of Chinese caused by the discontinuance of " Notes and are charged as double, treble, we, as the Papers on the Arts, Sciences, Ethnology, Books. Folklore, Geography, History, Literature, Commercial Papers signify such papers Mythology, Natural History, Antiquities, as, though Written by Hand, do not bear writers. It was thought that by extending conts. the scope of the Review in this elirection, the Magazine would be made more generally

attention, and, endeavours are made to The limit of weight for Beader and Cone T. This Regulation prohibits the sending The Review department receives special Publishers are requested to forward works inches. to "Editor, China Review, care of China Mail Office.

The Notes and Queries are still continued and form an important means of obtaining ledge on obscure points.

farther and greater facilities for the interchange of views and discussion of various

Original contributions in Chinese, Latin, or any of the Modern Languages are re-The papers are contributed by the members of the various Consular, the Imperial Customs, and Hongkong Services, and also by the Missionary bodies amongst whom a high degree of Chinese scholarship is assiduously cultivated. Amongst the regular contributors are Drs. Chalmers, Eitel, Bretschneider, Hirth, and Hance, Professor Legge, and Messra Balfour, Watters, Stent, Phillips, MacIntyre, Groot, Jamie-son, Faber, Kopsch, Parker, Playfair, Giles, and Piton, -all well-known names, indicative of sound scholarship and thorough mastery of their subject.

The Subscription is fixed at \$6.50 per annum, postage included -- payable in ad-Orders for binding volumes will be promptly attended to; Address, "Mana-

ger, China Mail Office."

OPINIONS OF THE PHESS. . "All our learned societies should sub scribe to this scholarly and enterprising Review."-Northern Christian Advocate (U.S.) "The China Review * * * * has an ex cellent table of contents." - Celestial Empire.

"The Publicationalways contains subjects of interest to sojourners in the Far East and the present issue will hold favourable if not advantageous comparison, with preceding numbers."-Celestial Empire. "This number contains several article. of interest and value."-North-China Herold.

"The China Review for September-October fully maintains the high standard or excellence which characterises that publication, and altogether forms a very interesting and readable number. Meteorologists will find an interesting and valuable contribution by Dr. Frusche, on "the Amount of Precipitation (Rain and Snow) of Pering," showing the results of observations maddat the Imperial Russian Observatory at Peking, from 1841 to 1880. "Notes on the Dutch Octupation of Formosa," by Mr. Geo. Phillips, contains some interesting information, although much of it is second-hand. The Notices of New Books include a most generous and appreciative review of "The Divine Classic of Nan-Hua," and the Notes and Queries are as usual very interesting." - North-China

Daily News.

A substantial and reliable Review which all students of China and the Chinese would do well to patronise."-Chrysanthemum. "The November-December number of the China Review contains less variety than usual, but the few articles are very interesting. The opening paper by Mr Herbert A. Giles on "The New Testament in Chinese" treats of a question that must necessarily be of great importance in the eyes of all missionaries. . . Mr E. II. Parker's "Short Journeys in Szechuen" are continued, and a goodly instalment of these travels in the interior of China is given. Mr F. H. Balfour contributes a 5 paper of some length entitled "The Einperor Cheng, founder of the Chinese Enwhich will be read with gonuine interest by students of Chinese history. number of Notes and Queries, one of which Mails. "On Chinese Oaths in Western Borneo and Java" might appropriately have been placed under a separate heading, complete

the number."-H.K. Daily Press.

The present publication, judging by the correspondence is juvariably delivered at following notice of the China Review:number now before us, is intended to the nearest place of business. occupy a position, as regards China and the | 3. Boxholders who desire to send Circuneighbouring countries, some what similar lars, Dividend Warrants, Invitations, Cards to that which has been filled in India by the &c., all of the same recipiet, to addresses in Calcutta Review. The great degree of at- Hougkong, Bangkok, or the Ports of tention that has been bestowed of late years China, may deliver them to the Post upon the investigation of Chinese literature, Office unstamped, the postage being then antiquities, and social developments, to say charged to the sender's account. Each nothing of linguistic studies, has led to the batch must consist of at least ten. accumulation of important stores of information, rendering some such channel of pubable; and contributions of much interest closed, if the nature of the contents be first of the foreign consular services, the Chinese Customs, corps, and the missionary body, among whom a high degree of Chinese scholarship is now assiduously cultivated, and who are severally represented in the first and who are severally replicable by papers highly Parcers.—The public is reminded that 1st Class Cargo Boat of 8 or 900

"Notes" and are glad to notice that nature of the contents was discovered. find a place in Queries" are destined to hoped that this pages also. It is to be on Chinese subjecting for contributions degree of literary may evoke a similar degree of literary may evoke a similar displayed during the to that which was consor in the field, and time of its predemay receive the support the China Review is continuance.

THE COMMERCIAL LAW WIFECT. ING CHINESE; with special reference to PARTHERSHIP RECISTRATION AND BANKROPKY LAPPIN HOMONONG.

V-Proc. 75 cents.

Hongkong Rates of Fostage.

In the following Statements and Tables Letters per half owner, for Books and Most, Fiel, Game, Fruit, Vegetables, or Patterns, per two owners. Patterns, per two onness. Newspapers over four ounces in weight

Queries, on China and Japan," has reached case may be, but such papers or packets of cludes many interesting Notes and original rent may be paid either as Newspapers or the amount of \$10.

and Social Manners and Customs, etc., etc., the character of an actual or personal correof China, Japan, Mongolia, Tibet, and the spondence, such as invoices, deeds, copied Far East generally Recently a new de- music, &c. The charge on them is the state parture has been taken, and the Recier now as for books, but, whatever the weight of ogives papers on Trade, Commerce, and a packer containing any partially written Descriptive notes of Travel by well-known paper, it will not be charged less than it regimered or unregistered, can be received

on paying an extra fee of a cents.

critiques embodying sketches of the Most to 8 onners, and must not exceed these comple of no value. recent works on such topics. Authors and dimensional 8 meters by a linches by 2

The Union may be taken to comprised from and diffusing among students know- | Europe, all foreign postersions in A.m. Japan, W. Africa, Egypt, Plaurithe, all The Correspondents' column also affords N. America, Mexico, Edward, Dievil, Poet, Chill, Vonezuela, She Argentine Republic, Jamues, Trinidad, Guiante Handuras, Bermuda, Labusa, Hawaii, with all Danish, French, Notherlands, Porlogueso and Spanish Colonies.

Condries nor in the Union. The chief countries not in the Union accide Australasian Group, and S. Africa.

Postors to Cuims Countries. General Rates, by any vente: --40 cemis per servi B contamination

10 cent... 🙎 gents carbo Books, Patterns and 12 contains 2 ca There is no charge on redirected terr spendence within the Postal Union.

Postage to Non-Union Counteles. Australia, New Monland, Tasmania, and Fiji, via Torres Straits, Letters, 10: 13 gistration, 10; Newspapers, 40; Books et Patterns, 2: Pla Cellan, Lines, 25; 13 gistration, 10; Newspapers, 2; Devicesand Patterna, 2. Natal, the Cape, St. Helena, Accen-

Ision, Bolivia, Latters, to: Regulative in. 10; Newspapers, & Beoks and Partons, 5.

[6] Via Singapore, to some,

Local Delicery. Victoria will be delivered the case day, an additional payment of 5 cents.

2. Invitations, &c. confidently be delivered within Victoria of the private houses of the addressees rether than at Trebner's Oriental Record contains the places of business, if a wish to that effect be expressed by the sender, other is all

4. Boxholders may also send Patterns to the same places in the same way. En- agreements. licity as is now provided extremely desirmay fairly be looked or from the mombers exhibited or stated to the Postmaster

reditable to their respective authors . . . there is no such thing as Parcel Post me translations from Chinese novels and to Europe, &c. Much trouble and disapare marked by both accuracy and fresh. pointment are caused by persistent attempts tof style; and an account of the career of to send small valuable trifles through the cehinese poet-statesman of the cloventh Post. Fans, Curios, Articles of Dress, is no Su Tung-p'o, by Mr. E. C. Bowra, Fancy Work, and similar presents are condisting historically valuable, but is also tinually being refused, the senders having noticesed by its literary grood. Benide: often spent more in l'ostage than would the East books relating to China and have paid the freight by steamer. No the Reviewch will be a useful feature of refund can be tasde on such parcels of the and detail carried out with punctuality value of Stamps obliterated before the

Local and Indian Parcel Post. 1. Small Parcels may be sont by Post at Book Lates between Hongkong and any of the British Post Offices in China, as well as to Japan, Macao, Pakhoi, the Straits Settlements, Ceylon and India. They must not exceed the following dimensions, 2 feet long, I foot broad, I foot deep, weigh more | agreements. than 5lbs., nor be smaller than 3 in, by 2 in. Such parcels may be wholly closed if they bear this special endorsement, parcel may be opened by direction of the Helf Day for India a declaration of contents and Ons Hour, Percels for lodie and Come is compulsory, private agreements,

.2. The following cannot be transmitted: Parcels insufficiently packed or protected, or liable to be crushed (as bandboxes. &c.) Opium, Glass, Liquids, Explosive subthe Rates are given in cente, and are, for stances, Matches, Indigo, Dyestuffs, Ico, likely to become offensive or injurious in

J. Parcels are as a general rule forwarded its Twelfth Volume. The Review discusses papers may be sent at Prox Rate. Two by Private Ship, not by Contract Mail those topics which are uppermost in the Newspapers must not be solded together at Paul. d. To India they are forwarded by minds of students of the "Far East" and one, nor must augiling whetever he inserted the P. & O. and Indian Mail Packets only, about which every intelligent person con-except bona fide Supplements. Printed to Ceylon by P. & O. only. No respon-

nected with China or Japan is desirous of matter may, however, be enclosed, if the sibility is accepted with regard to any acquiring trustworthy information. It in whole be paid at Book Rate. Prices Curparcel, unless Registered, and then only to

4. The public are cautioned not to confound these scilities with a Parcel Post to: Invoye, Sec., which does not exist. It is necessary that the following rules be strictly observed.

1. No Lotter or Packet, whether to be for Postage if it contains gold or silver Customa duties.

II. The limits of weight allowed are as

ent intrinsic value; to the Continent,

Indiamnity for the Loss of a Registered Article. The Post Office is not legally responsible for the rafe delivery of Registered correspondence, but it is prepared to make good the contenus of such correspondence lost while masing through the Post, to the extent of

\$10, in certain cases, provided :-I. That the sender duly observed all the conditions of Registration required.

2. That the letter was securely enclosed in a reasonably strong envelope.

3. That application was made to the Postingator General of Hongkong-immedi-They the loss was discovered, the circlops being invariably forwarded with such appliextien unless it also is lost.

4. That the Postmaster General is satisthat that the loss occurred whilst the corresperfective tree in the custody of the British Postal administration in China, that it was not caused by any fault on the part of the a taker, by descriction by fire, or shipwreek, ! nor by the dishonesty or negligence of any Hongkong Post Office.

a hydron or deteriorated candition.

Jinricksha, and Eoat

CHAIR BEARERS, AND BOATS, IN THE COLONY OF HONGRONG.

Obalic and Ordinary-Pullaway Bouls. Day (from 6 to 6), One Dollar.

Single Trip. Return (lirect or by Pok-fu Lam).

Four Cuolies, \$0.60 Return (direct or by Pok-fu Lam).

from the centre of the Town, ... 20 ,,

Licensed Bearers (each).

picula, ner Day, ... 1st Class Cargo Boat of 8 or 900 picula, per Lond, 2nd Class Cargo Boat of 600 picula, per Day, ... 2nd Class Cargo Boat of 600 picals, per Load, ... 3rd Class Cargo Boat or Ha-kau Boat of 200 picula, per Day, ... 3rd Class Cargo Boat or Ha-kau Boat of 300 piculs, per Load, ... 3rd Class Cargo Boat or Ha-kan Boat of 300 piculs, Half Day,

or Pullaway Boats, per Day, ... 31.00 Half-an-Hour, ... After 6 r.M......10 cents extra-Nothing in this Scale prevents private

- STREET COLIES. Sale of Hire for Street Coolies. Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked h., near the Kowloong shore k., and those in the body of the Shipping of midway between each shore are marked c., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf. 1. From Green Island to the Gas Works. 7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.

6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard. 2. From Gas Worksto the P. and O. Co.'s Factory. 3. From P. and O. Co.'s Factory to the Harbour Master's Office. 8. From Pier to East Point. 4. From Harbour Master's to the P. and O. Co.'s Office. Flag and Tons. Arrival Destination. Remarks. Captain. Consignces or Agents. Vessel's Name. Steamers

Manila Singapore & Penang Y hama & SanF'cisco 31st inst. K'loon Dock Hesperia4 c WagnerGor. str. 1136 Dec. 20 Siemssen & Co. N'saki & Yokohama To-morrow Kong Beng 3°c Jones Brit. str. 862 Dec. 25 Yuen Fat Hong Kwangtung 5 h Young Brit. str. 680 Dec. 23 Douglas Steamship Co. 28th inst. Coast Ports 5 iles, ; to the Continent, &c., 4 lbs. Massalia Ceresen Ger. str. 1262 Dec. 25 Siemssen & Co. Kuchinotzu 28th inst. Trieste, &c. Cos tan Dock ************ Hoihow, &c. To-morrow 28th inst.

Ping-on 5 h McCaslin Brit. str. Rajanattianular Be Melntosh Brit. str. 973 Dec. 23 Yuen Fat Hong Romeo Reynante Span. str. Saltee Aranguren Fch. str. 323 Dec. 12A. R. Marty China Traders' Insurance Co. Sailing Vessels

Alice Mary 2 e Davis Brit. bqe. Asteria 3 k Cox Brit. bqe. 211 Sept. 26 Order Channel Queen 3 k Lacheur Brit. bqe. 609 Dec. 13 Eduard Schollhass & Co. Charon Waltana 2 c Ulrich Siam. bqc. 650 Dec.

Gesine Brons....... 3 k Laarmann Ger. bqe. Haydn Brown 3 c Havener Amer. bqe. HechtGer. 3m. sc. Hieronymus 4 k Ipland Ger. bqc. J. A. Borland 3 k Kent Amer. bqe. 417 Nov. 23 Eduard Schellhass & Co. 580 Dec. 25 Order

Uneida Carver Amer. sh.

St. Ideuc 3 k Durand Fch. bqe.

Sibirien 4 c Jehannsen Ger. bqe. 367 Dec.

turret-ship

- Name.

Flog and Rig.

Twilight 3 c Warland Amer. sh. 1263 June 8 Adamson, Bell & Co.

Russ. bqe. Mathilde..... 3 k Tönningson ... Ger. 3m. sc. Mount Lebanon Nelson Bri. bktine.

N. Gibson 1 c Bailey Amer. bqp. Nellie M. Slade 8 c Gould Ame. bkte. Omega......Brit. bqe.

Rachel & Brit. Bqc. Roderick Hay 4 & Nicolson ..., Brit. bqc. 290 Nov. Maifelacter, 10. cts. | Hour, 20 cts Three hours ... 50 ets. | Six hours ... 70 ets.

TO VICTORIA PEAK.

Two Coolies, 1.00 TO VICTORIA GAP (TO LEVEL OF UMBRELLA Single Trip.

Two Coolins, 0.40 Tomr Coolies, \$1.00 (v) Between Houghe period to Marke Three Coolies, Two Coolies, h. 0.70 Cleopatra The Return Fare embraces a trip of not Cockchafer more than three hours.

1. All confospondings posted before 5 | For every hour or part of an hour above p.m. on any week day top and cease in three hours, each Coolie will be entitled to

and generally within two hours, unless the Day Teip | Peak,\$0.75 each Coolie.

Jinricksha. Quarter of an hour or less, ... Sir lours,... ... i.. 35 ,, One day (12 hours), 50 ,, Por trip to Shaukiwan or Pokfulam,

Por trip to Aberdeen, from the centro of the Town,... 25 ,, Meturn, 40 ,, If an Extra Coolie is employed, there will

be an addition of half the above scale to pay. Nothing in this scale prevents private

Half day, 35 cents. BOAT AND COOLIE BIRE.

Mer Britannic Majesty's Ships in the China Squadron.

Guns. I.H.P. Commander Chas. Hicks Hankow composite screw sloop Albatross Hongkong Captain R. E. Tracey . 4330 6010 double-screw iron frigate Hongkong Captain A. T. Powlett 14. 2340 2380 corvette 2610 Captain H. N. Hippinley Hongkong 2300 corvette Lieut.-Com. Robt. L. Groome Chefoo 470 gumboat Shanghai Captain Anstruther 2383 14 convette Commander F. J. J. Eliott Hongkong composite sloop Hongkong 340 In reserve double-screw cunboat 360 Commander E. H. Gamble Chinkianz 430 gunboat Lieut.-Commander Hoskyn Hongkong Flying Fish Commander John Hope Canton double-screw gun-vessel Lieut.-Commander McQuhas Foochow gunboat Foxhound Commander E. Hotham Tientsin double-screw gun-vessel Kestrel Hongkong Commander J. J. Jones double-screw gun-vessel Lieut.-Com. Vereker Singapora surveying vessel Hongkong Commander Tisdale 465 double-screw gun-vessel en route Singapore Captain H. G. Andos troopship Orontes Commander Bickford Singapore 1130 composite screw sloop Nagasaki 2360 Captain Fullerton 12 1370 corvette Commander Wm. Collins 1010 Canton double-screw gun-vessel Hongkong 360 In reserve double-screw gunboat Tweed Hongkong Commodore Cuming. 3087 835 receiving ship Victor Emanuel Hongkong Lieut.-Com. Maxwell 1230 paddle despatch-vessel Vigilant

Wivern Lient. Com. G. N. A. Bollard Hongkong For H. B. M. Ships' tonnage, displacements and effective horse powers are given according to H. M. Navy list.

In reserve

Captain.

and nominal horse powers are given.

1800

Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Tons. | Guns. | N.H.P.

Captain Schanz Vladivostock Russian aviso Abreck Haiphong Captain Ferrat French transport Commander A. S. Barker Captain Koltchau Japan * Ermak . 1000 Russian transport Captain McCormack Canton -2.00 Essex American sloop Vladivostock Commander Stark 450 Gornostai. Russian gunboat Tonguin: Commander Roustan Hamelin French cruiser Commander Rotger Hongkong German gunboat Commander P. F. Harrington Nagasaki 1.75 Juniata 1900 American corvette Commander de Beaumont Toponin 1182 375 Kersaint French sloop Captain D. de la Batis Hongkong 1.50 La Victorieuse 4176 French ironclad Hongkong D. Ramon Valentin Buenaplata 1200 Spanish transport Hungkong Captain Herbig 3000 German corvette Hongkong Captain Debar 437 French gunboat Commander C. S. Cotton Shanghai 1100 Monocacy American Bloop Vladivostock* Commander Moltsoff Ressian gunnost Captain Kalagerass Najezdnick Russian corvette Vladivostock Commander Valrondt 400 Nerpa 🛼 Russian gumboat Captain B. Ivashintsoff Shanghai 1400 Russian corvetto-_____ Lieut. Commander Glidden Chefco 300 American gunboat * Nagasaki Oastain Skerrett 2300 American frigate Yokohama Captain Blanodareff 2000 Skobeleff Russian corvette Commander Boyle Japan 👚 **. 4**00 Russian guncost Com. Glomsda von Buchholtz Hongkong 2030 German frigate Stosch Captain F. da Costa Cabral Macao 410 Portuguese guaboat Tamega: Commander Heck Singapore Tongous Russian gunboat Hongkong. Cantain Bose 5522 French steel frigate Touville Captain Baux Amoy 4176 14 French ironclad Triomphante Haiphong Cantain Dewatre • 2400 15 French corvette Villars Canton Captain Fournier French corvette Volta Vladivostock Commander Molchonsky Russian gunbeat Voatock Hongkopg . Commander von Raven German gunboat

as For Foreign men-of-war actual measurement, tonnage

BHIPPING IN CHINA, JAPAN, PHILIPPINES, AND SIAM WATERS.

WHAMPOA. Annam atr. Shun-on CANTON. Brit. str. Brit. str. Changehow str. Shangha

MACAO. str. Canton Kiang-ping Brit. str. Canton Kiungchow Brit. str. Canton Yotsai

In port on December 20, 1893. Ger. ach. lbatros. Brit. bge. Ger. sch. Androklos Ger. Benedicta Ger. Centaur Ger. boe. Hongkong Chloris Faugh Balaugh Ger. 3m. sc. Guiding Star Brit. bge. bge. Taiwanfox Gor. Johann Carl Gor. Norw. bqc. Hongkong Brit. boe. Lec Yih Louise Amer. sch.

Swed. bgc. Saigon Solidor Brit. Therese FOOCHOW

Ger.

Gor.

Brit.

Brit. bee.

Ger.

Minorva

Orient :

Polliam

Bangkok

Victoria, B.C.

San Francisco

Taiwanfoo

New York

New York

Where at.

Where at.

8 Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

29 Eduard Schollhass & Co.

1 Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

1 Eduard Schollhass & Co.

355 Nov. 23 Eduard Schollhass & Co.

664 Nov. 30 Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

530 Oct. 12 Rozario & Co.

560 Nov. 29 Russell & Co.

85 May 30 W. H. Rav

388 Dec. 16 Carlowitz & Co.

480 Nov.

Sin Kolga

Oscar Mooyer

In port on December 15, 1883. • SHANGHAI. In port on December 21, 1883.

MERCHANT STRAMERS. Hong yng British Chinese Chin-tung Chungking British British Devealion British Fuh Wo Chineso Fung-shun British London, &c. Glenavon Gordon Castle British New York, &c. Greatham Hall British Hac-ting Hidevoshi Maru Japanese

Repairing Kuchimutan British Hankow. &c. Ichang Chinese Hankow, &c. Kiang-foo Kiang-piau Chinese Kiang-yung Chinese Hankow Kung-pai Chinese Lee Yuen Chinese British. Hankow, &c. Ngankin British London, &c. Orestes Hongkang, &c. British Pekin British Hongkong Radnorshire British. British Sin Nanzing Store Nordisko Danish British Tamsui

British

British

Swatow.

Chofoo

Wuchang British Hongkong, &c. - . Yang Tac French Chineso Amoy & S'tow Yohsin. Cos'tan Dock Yì Ling British Chinese MERCHANT SAILING VESSELS. AddieE. Sleeper Amer. bge. New York Chingtah

Tientsin

Wenchow

K'loon Dock Kumasako Maru Japan, boe. Niederhof Amer. bge.: Satsunia K'loon Dock NAGASAKI. In port on December 15, 1883.

Chihaya Maru Japan, bge. Loong Wha Brit. sch. Shanghai Tartar Ger. Havre and London Cos'tan Dock In part on December 17, 1883. Brit. sch. Hercules . Amer. sh.

Amer. seb.

Brit. Queen Emma Brit. bge. London Walter Siegfried Brit. Bqe. YOKOHAMA. In port on December 14, 1883. mer. sch. Black Diamond Ger. bge. Brit. bge.

Amer. sch. E. v. Beaulieu Ger. bge. Ger. sch. Bri. bktine. Guam Lady Brown Brit. bae. Amer. sch. Loretta Fish Amer. sh. Mary C. Bohm Ger. sch. Rusa sch. Namo Brit. sch. Otsego Russ, sch. Rose Saghalien Russ, sch. Brit. bqe.

MANILA. In port on November 16, 1688. Brit. bge. Eliza. Nicholson Brit. bge. Jessle Renwick Brit. bqe. New York Mary L. Stone Amer. sh. New York Span. bqs. Saigon Nervion Span. bge. Amer. sh. New York Pepita Sea Witch Brit. bqc. Liverpool

BANGKOK. In port on December 15, 1883. Siam. sh. Laid up Bua Pan Burra Noorfol Siam. bqe. Ger. 3m. sc. Caroline Cattarelin Siam. bg. Laid up China Siam. sch. Confucius Doretta . Sian. bg. Eng Les. Sian. bqc. Siam. bqe. Envoy Ger. Im. sc. Ernst Siam. bue. Java Falcon Siam. bqe. Fortune Siam, bee. Goliah Siam. bq#. Heng Seng Swed bge. Europe Hermine Siam_ Kim Chye Seng Slam. sch. K. Hock Cheony Siam. sch. Coast Ger. 3m. sc. Siam. bqe. Lucky Siam. bg. Mercury Meridian Siam. bqe. M. DeutschmannGer. 3m. sc. Brit sch. Raisb Rapid Siam. bqe.

Schiffwert

Soon Hwat

Starlight

Telegraph

Siamese Orowa Sizm.

Ta Hongkong Siam sh.

Wm. le Lecheur Brit. bqe. Printed and published by GEO. MURRAY Bain, at the Chine-Mail Office, No. 2.

Siam. bge.

Siam.

Trait d'Union Fch. boes Europe

Wyndham Street, Hongkong,

- Siam. bqe.

Ger. | sh. Europe